Praise for

**THE HUNGER GAMES**

by Suzanne Collins

#1 New York Times Bestseller • USA Today Bestseller • A 2008 Horn Book Fanfare Book  
A 2008 Booklist Editors’ Choice • A New York Times Book Review Editors’ Choice  

“[The Hunger Games] is a violent, jarring, speed-rap of a novel that generates nearly constant suspense…. I couldn’t stop reading….Collins is an efficient no-nonsense prose stylist with a pleasantly dry sense of humor. Reading The Hunger Games is as addictive (and as violently simple) as playing one of those shoot-it-if-it-moves videogames in the lobby of the local eightplex; you know it’s not real, but you keep plugging in quarters anyway….Since this is the first novel of a proposed trilogy, it seems to be that the essential question is whether or not readers will care enough to stick around and find out what comes next for Katniss. I know I will. But then, I also have a habit of playing Time Crisis until all of my quarters are gone.”

— Stephen King, *Entertainment Weekly*

“I was so obsessed with this book I had to take it with me out to dinner and hide it under the edge of the table so I wouldn’t have to stop reading. The story kept me up for several nights in a row, because even after I was finished, I just lay in bed wide awake thinking about it….The Hunger Games is amazing.”

— Stephenie Meyer, www.stepheniemeyer.com


“[A] plot-driven blend of suspense, science fiction, and romance.” — *USA Today*

“[A] stylish postmodern ‘Lost’ in direct collision with ‘Lord of the Flies.’”

— Katie Roiphe, *The Wall Street Journal*

“What’s most surprising about this riveting, powerful, well-executed romance: It’s written for teens. Read it, share it with your kids—and then count down the days until the sequel.” — *Family Circle*

“Enthralling, imaginative and creepy” — *Los Angeles Times*

“Exciting combat, social criticism and a believable romantic plot” — *Chicago Tribune*

★ “Collins has written a compulsively readable blend of science fiction, survival story, unlikely romance, and social commentary.”

— *The Horn Book*, starred review

★ “Populated by three dimensional characters, this is a superb tale of physical adventure, political suspense, and romance.”

— *Booklist*, starred review

★ “Collins’s characters are completely realistic and sympathetic as they form alliances and friendships in the face of overwhelming odds; the plot is tense, dramatic, and engrossing. This book will definitely resonate with the generation raised on reality shows like ‘Survivor’ and ‘American Gladiator.’”

— *School Library Journal*, starred review

★ “Readers will wait eagerly to learn more.”

— *Publishers Weekly*, starred review