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Suzanne Collins has had a successful and prolific career writing for children's television. She has worked on the staffs of several Nickelodeon shows, including the Emmy-nominated hit *Clarissa Explains It All* and *The Mystery Files of Shelby Woo*. Collins, who was named among *Time* magazine's 100 Most Influential People in 2010, made her mark in children's literature with the *New York Times* bestselling five-book series for middle-grade readers, *The Underland Chronicles*, which has received numerous accolades both in the United States and abroad.

In the award-winning *The Hunger Games* trilogy, Collins continues to explore the effects of war and violence on those coming of age. The final book in the trilogy, *Mockingjay*, debuted at No. 1 on all national bestseller lists during its first week on sale. In a starred review, *Publishers Weekly* said it "accomplishes a rare feat, the last installment being the best yet, a beautifully orchestrated and intelligent novel that succeeds on every level."

Collins lives in Connecticut with her family.



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