The Hunger Pains: A Parody
Winning means wealth, fame, and a life of therapy. Losing means death, but also fame! This is the Hunger Pains. When Kantkiss Neverclean replaces her sister as a contestant on the Hunger Games - the second-highest-rated reality TV show in Peaceland, behind Extreme Home Makeover - she has no idea what to expect. Having lived her entire life in the telemarketing district’s worst neighborhood, the Crack, Kantkiss feels unprepared to fight to the death while simultaneously winking and looking adorable for the cameras. But when her survival rests on choosing between the dreamy hunk from home, Carol Handsomestein, or the doughy klutz, Pita Malarkey, Kantkiss discovers that the toughest conflicts may not be found on the battlefield but in her own heart... which is unfortunately on a battlefield.

**Synopsis**

First, I’m not a diehard Hunger Games fan like some of the other reviewers here. I’ve read the books, and enjoyed them. I also enjoy parodies, though not this one. There is no smart or intelligent humor in this book. Basically, what the writers did was take a piece of the plot and completely turn it inside out. Instead of being a coal mining district, District 12 does telemarketing. Instead of Katniss being smart and brave, she is as dim-witted as a sack of bricks and horrifyingly ugly. Initially, these jokes might strike you as sort of funny, and might elicit a small smile. But they often take the joke and just run with it, making it painfully unfunny. I feel like very little effort was put into the book. If I were to imagine the writing process, I’d imagine that they sat in a room, threw ideas at the wall, and...
every single idea was written into the book. Then they went home for the day, and the book was sent to the publisher. I would hesitate to even call The Hunger Pains a parody. It doesn’t point out comedy in the real books, or do much, if any, commentary. It takes the real plot, and turns it into a mind-numbingly stupid mess. After about 90 pages, I stopped reading and gave the book back to the friend I borrowed it from. I felt like I deserved a refund, and I didn’t even pay for the book.

If i could rate The Hunger Pains only half a star, i would. I think it was a huge waste of money. I read many reviews saying how hilarious this book is, so i bought it, but to me it was just immature. One minute it is talking about farting, and the next it is a bit inappropriate. i would not recommend this book for kids under 13. When i read the sample of The Hunger Pains, it was a litte funny, and i got a laugh out of a couple things. But when i bought the book, it was like the writers didn’t put any thought into it once they got past the first two chapters. It was like they took each sentence out of the book and replaced a few words with ‘fart’ or ‘poop’. In the book, Kantkiss (Katniss) is so dumb and stupid, its not even funny, like trying to run strait through a fence, thinking a baby was laughing when it was actually suffocating with it’s face in a pillow, and not knowing what to do with a shovel she was sent when she was trying to dig a hole with her hands. Also, the games in The Hunger Pains aren’t even realistic, because Kantkiss gets everything she asks for from her sponsors. The Hunger Pains is so short, i finished it in about a day and a half. The games themselves only last about 50 or 60 pages. So, like i said before, The Hunger Pains is immature, not funny, and not worth $10.

Well I got this book because my friend recommended it and I loved it. It is a little inappropriate, like Kantkiss talks about sleeping with Pita and doing sexual with him. So yes, a little inappropriate, but a really good book. I recommend this book who can handle thing like talking about sleeping with people, I don’t recommend this for kids 12 and under.

While this wasn’t horrible it wasn’t all that funny either. I got about half way through and was truly bored because it was just more of the same type of humor. I did find the modifications of names, places and events creative and humorous, some more than others and when you first start the book, it is entertaining with this approach and you will recognized the original plot which it sticks to closely. That is definitely a plus for Hunger Games fans and part of the fun of reading this as opposed to other parodies that are fart and poop type of jokes with no plot. This is never offensive in that way. However, some parts are odd and not funny at all. It may also change your way you look
at Peta and Gayle. If you're a fan of Peta, you might not like this at all. The problem for me was eventually, the humor became repetitive and while it went along with the story, the jokes were predictable and I lost interest.

It was hilarious. But this book is the stupidest book ever. Why did I give it four stars, you ask? Because it made me laugh so hard I couldn't breathe. Kantkiss your literally the stupidest. Person. Ever. End of story.~ Brianna the book lover (books and French fries make the world go round)

This book had me in tears within the first 2 paragraphs. If you are a die hard fan of the hunger games, you need this. It took FOREVER to ship here two things I bought after this arrived first.

This hillarious parody on the famous Hungry Games series will keep you laughing off-and-on through the entire book! I don't read much, but I could hardly stop reading this one! Very well written for a parody! A little stupid here and there, but still pretty funny!

My friend let me borrow the book to read because he said it was so funny. We have state testing and assessments during March and April. After we were done testing on the computer, we would get out a book and read. I was reading it and just started laughing out loud during the awkward silence while everyone else was testing XD

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