

Great Zoom - think about what else it could mean too. Eg.

- a seam holds things together - could she be alluding to the importance of D12 for the economy of Panem?
- a seam is the weakest part - could she be alluding to D12's vulnerability due to its poverty?
- putting these ideas together, she creates a sense of injustice that a place and people relied upon for the resources the supply should suffer so greatly.

Collins uses the word 'seam' saying its district twelve's nickname and often called it by other districts. If we look at the meaning of the word we can see that seam's meaning is to refer to an underground layer of a mineral such as coal or gold. Using this word Collins try's to set up the idea that this district is a mining district and we find out that this is what district twelve is known by the other districts. Collins then starts to describe the people who live in district twelve saying that 'at this hour' that the place is usually filled with coal miners describing them as having hunched shoulders and swollen knuckles. This gives us the idea that they work very long and tireless hours which could look like the people of dictriect 12 having bags under their eyes, lathergic with the task and quiet persona. This will be for the rest of their days underground knowing that the morning is one of the very few times they get to see and feel the sun, giving them a sense of warmth and happiness. This is a contrast to reality of where we can also see that they all have to work to the bone by how their knuckles are swollen that we speculate is from having to swing a pickaxe day in day out.

Nice explanation

Try to make your point more interpretive and less narrative

We then read that the streets are empty on the day of the reaping, no miners getting up early everyone in their home. Collins then puts saying 'the reaping isn't till two and that they might as well sleep in if you can.' The last three word "if you can" makes the reader speculate they can't sleep due to fear. The word reap means that someone gains something beneficial from another for something they have done. We know that the reason the Hunger Games are in place is for the Capitol to seek retribution for the past rebellion. So we can speculate that the people who can't sleep in district twelve is because it is out of fear; fear of being picked or maybe fear of a love one being picked.

evidence and explanation her

You have started to Zoom too!

Collins then goes on and writes about how district twelve is covered all the way round with a high electric chained fence topped with barb wire that is meant to be electrified 24 hours a day supposedly to keep out any predators, wild dogs, bears and cougars. We then read that it runs only two to three hours a day giving us the idea that the fence could just be a way to scare district twelve's people making it so they can't leave and contact the other districts this could be another measurement set by the Capitol as a way to stop any more rebellions. This is a further example of control over distict 12 and when attached to fear is powerful. We then read that there are several other weak points in the chained fence giving us the idea that's it's been run down for a while and no one runs any sort of maintenance we could speculate that ether the Peacekeepers are being lazy and not running it how they were told to. Although we can think that it may be the reason district twelve does not get thorough maintenance checks because the Capitol doesn't see them as a threat maybe cause the way Collins writes this district as a run down and rough where the people whom live there struggle with their daily life to busy or too tired to try anything such as a rebellion. This is indicative of a perception of the lower class being dim witted.

narrative

interpretation

If we look at Collins main protagonist Katniss Everdeen we see how she as a character harbours great loss for her father which we read that he was "blown to bits" in Collins words by an incident that occurred while he was at his job as a miner. We see how Katniss had little time to grieve for her father as she had to step up and support her family because we see that her mother was put into a great shock and depression after her husband died causing her to freeze up not being able to do any work or get any food for Katniss, prim or herself. Collins then writes that " Five years later I still wake up screaming for him to run" by this statement we see that Katniss is still very much traumatised by her father's sudden death as she suffers from night terrors I can speculate that Katniss suffers from PTSD (Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder) seeing vivid dreams of what happened to her dad. Collins also states that Katniss father showed her how to hunt before he died giving us the idea that they spent a significant amount of time together making us think that they were likely close to one another as he took the time to teach her these things even though he already would have been exhausted from a long day in the cold dark mines.

This is a great effort! you have all of the ingredients. Now try to organise them into a PEEZL structure and avoid narrative sections.