

Point

Evidence

Explain

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Link

Collins makes it clear to the reader that the people's lives in district 12 are very unpleasant. This makes the reader feel sorrowful for the community living in the district, as she describes what their lives are really like. This theme creates sympathy towards them, as it relates to their real-life struggles. an excellent, well-developed Point

This is mentioned as Collins describes the streets as: 'Shutters on the squat grey houses are closed'.

This makes the people seem unwelcoming, and that they don't want to connect with the people around them unless they have to. This suggests that they are depressed with their lives. Although, closing the shutters allows them to take some control, something that they don't have the privilege of very often. is it real control though? What are they trying to do? are they succeeding?

The word 'squat' relates to the houses being compact, with little space inside them. The adjective 'grey', suggests that the houses are lifeless, without joy and full of darkness. The fact that the shutters are closed, confirms this, not only are their physical surroundings dark, but their mental state is dark too. Collins makes it clear that the ruling of the Capitol and the lack of money that the people have, is hard to bear.

Thus, all throughout the book, Collins portrays the idea that the people in the district feel minor, compared to the world around them.

Yes - how so?

what does it mean to have a 'dark' mental state?

it symbolises that

yes - what does that show about their lives?