

Transmedia Storytelling – Session 5

Characters

Katniss is What makes a character compelling?
unreliable Relatable – but relatable can be dull
re: Peeta

What do you find compelling in Hunger Games? (or do you? Compelling ACTION?)
When Katniss volunteers – the Action

In SF – characters are BIG – outsized heroes
They can make the big choices – do outsized deeds – even save the world

Discovery of greatness – many kinds of greatness
Katniss' & Peeta's greatness are different
We all want to believe we have the capacity of greatness

But it cannot be too easy – and there must be a cost (Haymitch)

Do not assign flaws –
A character's flaws arise naturally from who they are
Katniss' flaws?
Characters w/o flaws are dull and not relatable

We also have to believe they can lose

How do we find out about a character?
What they say/do/think
What others say/do/think about them

Are all these sources reliable? Which are the most? Least?

What does the character WANT?? More than anything?

Let's talk about –
Katniss
Peeta
Haymitch

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