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"Those who make a peaceful revolution possible will make a violent revolution inevitable" - John F. Kennedy. In Suzanne Collins, Catching Fire, The Capitol of Panem has crushed any form of peaceful rebellion from the other districts leading to the breaking point where violence is inevitable. After winning the Hunger Games by undermining the Capitol's control, Katniss is threatened by President Snow to prove her allegiance with the government or face the execution of her and her family. With many other districts at a breaking point, Katniss's open defiance of the Capitol leads to violent rebellions in District 8 and more. This causes the Capitol to use the Quarter Quell, a special hunger game that happens every twenty-five years, to kill off Katniss in an attempt to crush the spirits of anyone trying to rebel. Katniss's defiance of the Capitol in the previous Hunger Games leads to the beginning of a rebellion.

Katniss forcing the 74th Hunger Games to have two winners is the main reason for President Snow's vendetta against her. According to the rules of the Hunger Games, only one tribute is allowed to win but in the last Hunger Games, Katniss breaks this rule to save both herself and Peeta. This enraged the Capitol as a tribute was able to control their actions undermining their sense of authority. This unintentionally creates the idea that the Capitol is not as almighty as it tries to be. This causes extreme unrest among the districts that have been oppressed by the Capitol. As a result, the higher-ups fear that Katniss's actions during the games may lead to a full-on rebellion from the other districts. To reduce the likelihood of this happening President Snow meets Katniss and threatens to kill her and her family if she doesn't act as she sides with the Capitol and their actions. As a result, the victory tour that Katniss is supposed to enjoy becomes tense and controlled as the Capitol attempts to make Katniss a figurehead.

While Katniss is oppressed by the Capitol to do their bidding the other districts begin to rally behind her and her symbol the Mockingjay. Most people in the Capitol see the Mockingjay pin that Katniss wears as a symbol of her victory. However, to the other oppressed districts, the Mockingjay symbolizes something else. The Mockingjay was a hybrid bird created unintentionally by the Capitol. During the first rebellion by the districts, the Capitol genetically engineered spy birds called jabber jays. However, after the rebellion was crushed these birds couldn't be captured and thus were left in the wild where they mated with the local mockingbirds, creating a new species of mockingjays. These mockingjays were a symbol of something the Capitol couldn't control, and the Mockingjay pin that Katniss wears is a symbol of that as she wins the Hunger Games. As a result, the rebels rally to this symbol and Katniss herself as a Mockingjay in this cruel system of oppression.

As people begin rebelling against the Capitol under Katniss's defiance, President Snow decides to kill off Katniss in the Quarter Quell, the 75th Hunger Games. During the victory tour that happens a few months after the Hunger Games, President Snow makes scripted speeches for Katniss to say for each district to calm them down and to reduce their motivation for rebellion. However, the people of the districts easily see through the blank speeches and begin the revolt anyway. Katniss realizes that her blank speeches wouldn't have stopped rebellions in the higher districts no matter what and that Snow was just using her to calm any tensions in richer districts. Snow realizes that since Katniss is the face of Rebellion, he needs to kill her off to stop any rebellions. To make her death seem as normal as possible, she is invited to participate in the 75th Hunger Games, where President Snow can kill her off and stop any possible future rebellions.

In conclusion, Katniss's defiance of the Capital has led to a lot of things. Katniss forcing the 74th Hunger Games to have two winners were the main reason for President Snow's vendetta against her. While Katniss was oppressed by the Capital many other districts began to rally with her and her symbol the Mockingjay. As people began rebelling against the Capital under Katniss's example. Using control to prevent peaceful change will always lead to inevitable violence.