

Mockingjay

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In my headset, I hear _____ Proper Noun voice telling me we must go back. But the game bag has reminded me of one more thing that I want. I sling the strap of the bag over the back of a _____ Noun and dash up the steps to my bedroom. Inside the closet hangs my father's _____ Adjective jacket. Before the _____ Event, I brought it here from the _____ Adjective house, thinking its presence might be of comfort to my mother and sister when I was dead. Thank goodness, or it'd be ash now.

The soft leather feels _____ Adjective and for a moment I'm _____ Verb - Past Tense by the memories of the hours spent wrapped in it. Then, _____ Adverb, my _____ Noun - Plural begin to sweat. A strange sensation creeps up the back of my _____ Part of Body. I whip around to face the room and find it empty. Tidy. Everything in its place. There was no sound to _____ Verb - Base Form me. What, then?

My _____ Part of Body twitches. It's the smell. Cloying and artificial. A dab of white peeks out of a vase of dried flowers on my dresser. I approach it with _____ Adjective steps. There, all but obscured by its preserved _____ Proper Noun - Plural, is a _____ Adjective _____ Adjective rose. Perfect. Down to the last thorn and silken _____ Noun.

And I know immediately who's sent it to me.

President

_____ Proper Noun _____.

When I begin to gag at the stench, I back away and clear out. How long has it been here? A day? An hour? The rebels did a _____ Adverb _____ sweep of the _____ First Name of a Person _____ Village before I was cleared to come here, checking for explosives, _____ Animal (plural) _____, anything unusual. But perhaps the rose didn't seem _____ Adjective _____ to them. Only to me.