

***The Giver*, Chapters 1-5**

Name _____

Questions

1. Why might the arrival of a jet be a terrifying experience for the entire community?
2. What do you think might happen to someone who is released from the community?
3. Name one thing you learned about the community from the discussion during the ritual telling of feelings.
4. What is different about the way children are born and infants are cared for in the community?
5. Why was it so difficult to get rules changed in the community?
6. Why were Gabe's eyes of such interest to Jonas?
7. How did Lily react to the new word "hippo"? Why did she react this way?
8. Why did Jonas risk the humiliation of public chastisement (being disciplined in front of people) for taking an apple from the recreation area?
9. What effect did the pills have on Jonas and the other people who took them?
10. Why do you think all adults were required to take them?
11. Why do you think Birthmothers, or biological mothers, held such a low status in the community?
12. Do you think the lives of the elderly were better or worse than they are in our society today? Give a good reason for your opinion.
13. What two things did the committee consider when giving children their life assignments?

Literary Devices

1. **Hook** — How does the **hook** in *The Giver* draw you into the novel?
2. **Cliffhanger** — What is the **cliffhanger** in Chapter Two?
3. **Allusion** - The name Jonas is a variation of the name Jonah. In the Bible, the prophet Jonah was commissioned by the Lord to proclaim judgment upon a sinful city. Why might Lois Lowry have chosen Jonas as the name of her main character?
4. **Allusion** - In the Bible the angel Gabriel is a **divine** messenger. What does the choice of this name for the newchild suggest about Gabe's importance in the novel?

Vocabulary- define the following in your own words.

Adherence -

Aptitude -

Enhance -

palpable

wheedle

chastisement

petulantly

tabulated

remorse

bewildered