

***The Giver* 9th Grade Summer Reading Questions**

Chapters 1-5

1. What does being “released” from the Community mean?
2. What are the three reasons someone might be released from the Community?
3. Why was Jonas so careful in his use of language?
4. List 4 rules that everyone in the Community must follow.
5. What does Jonas’s family do at the dinner table each evening? Why are they required to do this?
6. Why physical characteristic do Jonas and Gabe share?
7. Describe Father’s job.
8. Describe Mother’s job.

Chapters 6-10

9. What happens at the Ceremony of One?

10. When Lily became a Seven, she received a front-buttoned jacket. Why do Fours, Fives, and Sixes wear jackets that button in the back?

11. What will Lily receive at the Ceremony of Eight?

12. What important object do Nines receive at their Ceremony? What does receiving this object mean?

13. What was Jonas's Assignment? Why was it important and unusual?

14. How do the people of the community get a husband/wife?

15. How does the family unit receive their children?

16. What are the responsibilities of the Committee of Elders?

17. How does the house of the Receiver of Memory differ from Jonas's house?

Chapters 11-15

18. How does The Giver feel after he transmits the first memory?
19. What memory “worse than sunburn” does The Giver give transmit to Jonas?
20. What memory does Jonas try to give to Asher?
21. What memory does Jonas try to give to Lily?
22. Could the other people in the Community see colors? Why or why not?
23. Why does The Giver ask Jonas for forgiveness?

Chapters 16-19

24. Why aren't twins acceptable in the Community? What determines their fate?
25. Why doesn't Jonas want to play the “good guys/bad guys” game anymore?
26. What is The Giver's favorite memory?

Chapters 20-23

27. What does Jonas learn about what happens to the Old?

28. Who is Rosemary?

29. What does Jonas want The Giver to keep for himself?

30. What is Jonas's plan for leaving the Community?

31. Why will The Giver not go with Jonas?

32. Who does Jonas take with him as he escapes?

33. How do they hide from the search planes?

34. How does the story end?