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***The Giver*: Chapter 1 Questions**

Directions: Answer each question below in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question and to use details from the novel for support.

1. Jonas discusses an incident that frightens him at the beginning of the chapter. Explain the incident and why it caused him such fear.
2. The citizens in Jonas's community use bicycles instead of vehicles like cars or SUVs. What might be some of the reasons this utopia decided to use bikes instead of cars? Discuss some of the benefits of using bikes instead of cars.
3. In this chapter we are introduced to the community's concept of release or being released. From what you have read so far, what might it mean to be released? Find a quote or quotes from the chapter that support your definition of release.
4. Jonas appears apprehensive about the Ceremony of Twelve. Make a prediction about what may occur during the Ceremony of Twelve based on his feelings of apprehension in the chapter. Find a quote in the chapter that supports your answer.
5. What aspects of Jonas's community seem unusual to you? Discuss his family, rules, advanced vocabulary, and other aspects of the community that seem different from your own.

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***The Giver*: Chapter 2 Questions**

Directions: Answer each question below in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question and to use details from the novel for support.

1. Why is the month of December such an exciting and eventful time for the young adults and children of the community?

2. What is the private conversation Jonas's parents have with him in Chapter 2? Make an inference and discuss why you think they chose to have this conversation in private.

3. Identify the items in the chart. Use a direct quote from the novel to help support your definitions.

Term/Item from Jonas's Community	Definition/Discuss how it illustrates maturity.	Quote for Support
Ceremony of One		
Naming		
Bicycles		
Ceremony of Nine		
Comfort Object		
Chief Elder		

4. Explain the importance of the Ceremony of Twelve. Discuss the idea of an Assignment. How does a young adult "receive" their assignment? Do you agree with this concept? Why?

5. Although rules are very important in the community, Jonas's father decided to break one of the rules. What rule does Jonas's father break? What does this tell us about his father's personality?

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***The Giver*: Chapter 3 Questions**

Directions: Answer each question below in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question and to use details from the novel for support.

1. What do we learn about eye color in the community? What does this reveal about the society's view on differences? Find a quote in the chapter that supports your opinion on the statement.

2. Throughout the community there are no mirrors. Infer why the community does not have a need for mirrors.

3. When Lily says that she hopes her assignment will be Birthmother, her mother informs her that "There's very little honor in that Assignment." What is a Birthmother and why does this community view it as shameful or not respected?

4. While at the Recreation Center, an apple intrigues Jonas. Why did this apple intrigue Jonas enough to break a rule and take it from the Recreation Center. Use a quote from the novel to support your answer. What was his punishment?

5. What does the shade of the apple and the community's clothing tell us about the people and society in the novel?

6. Fill in the chart below and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the following terms.

Term	Advantages	Disadvantages
Having age groups		
Birthmothers		
Loudspeakers throughout the community		
Telling of Feelings		
Ceremonies		
Ceremony of Twelve		

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The Giver: Chapter 4 Questions

Directions: Answer each question below in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question and to use details from the novel for support.

1. What is the purpose of volunteer hours in the community? If you were had to complete volunteer hours in our society, where would you want to complete them? Why?

2. In the chapter, the characters believe that Benjamin will be assigned to the Rehabilitation Center. Why do the members of the community feel this way? Use a quote from the novel to support your response.

3. Jonas seems very anxious and apprehensive about receiving his assignment in regards to his volunteer hours. How may Jonas's volunteer hours affect his Assignment? Why does this make him nervous?

4. In Jonas's community, the elderly live together in the House of the Old. What does the House of the Old remind you of in your own community? How are the elderly treated? Why do you think they are treated this way?

5. Roberto appears excited and happy during his celebration prior to his release. What do you think release is and where do you think the individuals go that are released?

6. Are there different types of release? Use details and examples from the novel to support your response.

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***The Giver*: Chapter 5 Questions**

Directions: Answer each question below in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question and to use details from the novel for support.

1. The members of Jonas's community partake in the morning ritual. What is the morning ritual and why do you think the community requires its members to participate in it?

2. After Jonas discusses his dream during the morning ritual, his parents inform him he has to take a pill. Explain why adolescents and adults in the community are required to take the pill each morning. Write a quote from the chapter to support your response.

3. What do you think would happen to the community if its members refused to take the pill or forgot to take it?

4. Many of the rules and customs found in Jonas's community appear strict and repressive. Analyze these rules and discuss what they repress.

Rule	What the Rule Represses
Birthmothers	
stirring pills	
release of newborns	
family units	
Assignments	
lack of color	

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The Giver: Chapter 6 Questions

Directions: Answer each question below in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question and to use details from the novel for support.

1. Look at Jonas's community and discuss the values and morals that his community embraces and encourages.
2. At the Ceremony of Eight what does Lily receive? How does this illustrate growing up and maturity?
3. What does interdependence mean and find a quote in the chapter that supports your response.
4. During the Naming Ceremony, Gabriel is not present. Why has Gabriel not been assigned to a family unit this year? What will happen to him?
5. What is the different between loss and release? Give an example of each from the novel for support.

Definition of Loss:	Example from the novel:
Definition of Release:	Example from the novel:

6. Why did the audience at the Naming perform the Murmur-of-Replacement Ceremony? What is the purpose of this ceremony? Do you agree with it?
7. At the Naming many family units received new additions to their families. Why do couples have to wait 3 years before they can apply for children?

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The Giver: Chapter 7 Questions

Directions: Answer each question below in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question and to use details from the novel for support.

1. Describe how the Ceremony of Twelve begins. How is this ceremony different from anything these young adults had experienced till then?

2. What do numbers mean to the young adults and the community? What is Jonas's number? Do we have similar numbers in our society? Discuss examples in your own life.

3. Jonas is very apprehensive and nervous during the Ceremony of Twelve, but what incident during the ceremony makes him feel even more anxious and upset? How would you feel if you were in Jonas's shoes?

4. What assignment do you think Jonas will receive, or will he receive an assignment at all? Use details from the text to support your response.

5. After learning more about Jonas's community, would you want to live here? Discuss why or why you would not want to live in his community. Give specific events, rituals, or rules that make you want to or not want to live there.



Unscramble each of the words.

apprehensive	nuture	awed	transgression
adherence	chastisement	rarity	bewildered
nondescript	gravitate	relinquish	exuberant
invariably	meticulous	curb	aptitude
precision	vibrant	collective	capacity

Answers

- 1) ayirialnvb _____
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- 4) roecnpiis _____
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- 6) elideewdrb _____
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Find each word.

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Match the definition to the spelling word.

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Answers

- 1) to control, restrain, check
- 2) enthusiastic
- 3) uneasy or fearful about something
- 4) resounding, vibrating, exciting
- 5) to be drawn to or attracted toward
- 6) without exception
- 7) to surrender or let go
- 8) accuracy, exactness
- 9) taking or showing extreme care
- 10) ability to fill, power of receiving
- 11) to care for and protect; support
- 12) completely puzzled
- 13) punishment
- 14) filled with or expressing an overwhelming feeling of reverence
- 15) not recognized or definite
- 16) a group of individuals taken together
- 17) violation of a law; sin
- 18) ability, talent
- 19) steady devotion, following
- 20) something unusual or uncommon

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Determine which word best completes the sentence.

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Answers

- 1) The Elder spoke in her _____, gracious voice.
- 2) Each family member had to promise to _____ Gabriel without protest when he was assigned to his new family unit.
- 3) The rules stated that a third _____ meant a person must be released.
- 4) He and the other _____ (ers) were responsible for all the needs of the newchildren.
- 5) The crowd rose in an _____ swell when they heard the name Caleb.
- 6) Jonas had the _____ to See Beyond.
- 7) Jonas tried to describe his feelings. There was a little shudder of nervousness. "I'm _____," Jonas decided.
- 8) The _____ of language was a very important aspect of the community.
- 9) Jonas felt a _____, questioning stir from the puzzled audience. All together, they gasped.
- 10) The elders wanted to _____ any impulse that might set one off from the others.
- 11) Lily anticipated The Ceremony of Twelve, and whispered in an _____ voice.
- 12) Without color, everything in the community became rather _____, indefinite.
- 13) The young and old alike suffered _____ from the discipline wand.
- 14) Jonas was completely _____ when the apple looked funny to him.
- 15) Each Twelve was assigned a job according to his/her interest and _____.
- 16) Jonas had always shown faithful _____ to the rules.
- 17) The elders were _____ in choosing jobs for the Twelves.
- 18) The nines who had broken the rule and practiced, _____ knew how to ride bikes immediately after the ceremony.
- 19) The Twelves would _____ toward jobs that were interesting to them as they volunteered.
- 20) Light eyes were a _____ in the community.

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