

The Giver – Chapter 4

1. Jonas's community has a lot of rules. Do you think that's a good thing or a bad thing? Why?

The Giver – Chapter 6

1. All the members of Jonas's family had to sign a pledge that they would not become attached to the new child, Gabe. Do you think it's possible to keep such a promise?

2. What do you think of how families in Jonas's community are formed?

The Giver – Chapter 11

1. Can you imagine giving up such things as snow and hills because they are impractical?

The Giver – Chapter 12

1. Imagine a world without color. What color would you miss most?

2. What value, if any, is there to sameness?

The Giver – Chapter 13

1. Do you agree with Jonas that people have to be protected from wrong choices?
2. As Jonas continues his training, he often finds himself angry with his groupmates and his family. Why?
3. The Giver says that without memories, knowledge is meaningless. What does he mean?

The Giver – Chapter 14

1. Do you agree that painful memories are made easier when they are shared?

2. Do you think it's fair that one person in the community—The Receiver—should have to be burdened and pained by memories so that no one else is?

The Giver – Chapter 15

1. Why do you think The Giver asks Jonas to forgive him?

The Giver – Chapter 16 Continued

3. Do you think Jonas's parents love him? Do you think they know what love is?

4. Do you agree with Jonas that things could be different? How?

The Giver – Chapter 17

1. Why didn't the game of good guys and bad guys that Jonas's friends play seem harmless to Jonas anymore? Should Jonas have asked them to stop playing it? Why or why not?

The Giver – Chapter 19

1. What do you think of what Jonas's community calls "release"?
Were you surprised at what it was?

2. How do you think this new knowledge will affect Jonas?

The Giver – Chapter 20

1. Jonas knows that if his plan fails, he could be killed. But he believes that if he stays, his life is no longer worth living. Do you agree?

2. Do you think The Giver should go with Jonas or stay? Why?

The Giver – Chapter 21

1. How does Jonas show that he understands that the meaning of everything is to care about others?
2. How do you think The Giver will feel when he realizes Jonas is gone? How will Jonas's friends and family feel?
3. Why is the community so desperate to get Jonas back?

The Giver – Chapter 22

1. Jonas briefly wonders whether he made the wrong choice when he decided to run away. What do you think?

The Giver – Chapter 23

1. Although most of the memories have left Jonas, the feelings have not. Why do you think that is?

2. How do you think the story ends?