*The Giver* Study Guide

1. Which character looked at the Naming List?
2. Which character asked for and was given release?
3. Who wanted to have colors and make decisions?
4. Who was the only person who had books?
5. Who didn’t like hair ribbons?
6. Who had honor but not power?
7. Who had trouble with language?
8. Who received a memory from Jonas?
9. Who worked for the Department of Justice?
10. Who skipped over Jonas during the Ceremony?
11. What was the Ceremony of Twelve?
12. What evening ritual did the family perform after dinner?
13. What was unusual about Jonas and the new child, Gabriel?
14. According to the Chief Elder, what are the qualities of a Receiver?
15. What would Jonas be doing in his new job?
16. Why does the community not have colors?
17. What reason does the Giver give when explaining why the community members can’t make decisions?
18. What is release and how does Jonas discover what it really means?
19. What does Jonas hear on the way down the hill at the end of the story?

Who spoke the following quotes in the novel?

1. “Needless to say, he will be released.”
2. “I left home at the correct time, but when I was riding along near the hatchery the new crew was separating some salmon. I guess I just got distraught watching them.”
3. “I’m feeling apprehensive.”
4. “Oh, look! Isn’t he cute? Look how tiny he is! And he has funny eyes like yours.”
5. “I call him Gabe, actually.”
6. “I don’t know. I don’t think anybody does, except the committee. He just bowed to all of us and then walked, like they all do, through the special door in the Releasing Room. But you should have seen his look. Pure happiness, I’d call it.”
7. “No, no. It’s just the pills. You’re ready for the pills, that’s all.”
8. “Jonas has been *selected.*”
9. “I have great honor. So will you. But you will find that that is not the same as power.”
10. “I wish they wouldn’t do that.”