1. As you read chapter 1, record the following information in the chart below.

How is our society similar to Jonas's	What is unusual about Jonas's society

2. In the chart below list the occupations that Jonas's community has as well as the different places mentioned in the first chapter.

<u>Occupations</u>	<u>Places</u>



3. Use the chart below to record the names and descriptions of characters you learn about in chapters 1-6.

Character's Name	Relationship with Jonas	Characteristics and Other Details

Chapter 1

1.	Is "Release" always something negative in the community? When is it negative and when is it	
positive? How many transgressions can you have before you are released?		

- 2. Describe the nightly ritual all families take part of in their homes.
- 3. What is their definition of "animals"?
- 4. What is bothering Jonas's father?
- 5. What is bothering Jonas?

Chapter 2

1. How many new children are born each year and become Ones in December if none are released?

- 2. How did Jonas's mother and father get his sister Lily? What is this similar to in our society?
- 3. What happens when you become a Nine?
- 4. Why is it a joke in The Community when a rule goes to committee to be changed?
- 5. Who is the Receiver?
- 6. What is the warning that Jonas's mother gives him about how his life will change after he turns Twelve?
- 7. What is Lily's "comfort object" and when do children lose these toys?
- 8. At the end of the chapter, what is Jonas worried about?

Chapter 3

- 1. What type of eyes does Jonas have? Why is this special? Who else shares this similarity to Jonas?
- 2. On page 20 of chapter three, what behavior is not a rule, but is considered rude?
- 3. What assignment does Lily say she would like to have and why does she want this assignment?
- 4. Why doesn't Lily's mother want her to become a Birthmother?
- 5. At what age do the children of the community begin their volunteer hours?
- 6. What is one rule for all females under the age of nine?
- 7. What does Asher have to practice and why does he have to practice this activity?
- 8. What happened to Jonas during his game of catch with the apple?

Chapter 4

1. Describe the House of the Old.

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<u>Chapter 5</u>			
1.	What happens every morning between the members of the family units in Jonas's community?		
2.	Why does Jonas have to start taking pills? How long does he have to take them?		
3.	What are "Stirrings" and how does Jonas feel about them?		
Chapter 6			
1.	How long does the December Ceremony last?		
2.	Why isn't Gabe at the ceremony? What was he labeled?		
3.	Where are you sent when you are released?		
4.	What is the Ceremony of Loss?		
5.	What is the Murmur-of-Replacement Ceremony?		
6.	How are children given names in Jonas's community and why is Caleb's name so special?		
	Other than being old, an unfit newchild, or breaking the rules three times, how else can a person be released?		
8.	How are spouses matched?		
9.	How long must you wait before applying for a child after you are given a spouse?		

AGE

DESCRIPTION OF CEREMONY

Newchildren	
Ones	
Twos	
Threes	
Fours	
Fives	
Sixes	
Sevens	
Eights	
Nines	
Tens	
Elevens	
Twelves	

