

Do the following projects:

1. Design your own book cover for *The Giver*. On the back, write a summary for the main points of the book.
2. Rewrite the ending of the story. How do the characters and events change according to your ending?

Pick 3 of the 5 essays below to write. You must write at least one page for each question.

1. Choose one important character from *The Giver* and write a character analysis of him or her. Include the following items in your analysis: appearance, actions, ideas (what the character thinks), manner (how the character acts), reactions of others to the character, and feelings of the character throughout the novel.
2. Watch a movie which deals with similar themes to *The Giver*. (Having trouble finding one? Try “Divergent”, “The Hunger Games”, “Maze Runner”, or “Ender’s Game”.) After you’ve watched the movie, write a review for it. Make sure your review includes a brief summary of the movie, a section that compares and contrasts the movie you chose with *The Giver*, and how the movie connects/relates to the novel. (Do not choose “The Giver” as your movie, and on that note, don’t watch the movie instead of reading the book. The movie is pretty different, and everyone will know if you watched the movie instead of reading the book.)
3. Interview one of the characters from *The Giver*. Do **not** use the Question/Answer format. Instead, you should use the feature article technique, wherein quotes from the person being interviewed are embedded into the article. Ask your parents to show you a feature article interview if you aren’t sure what that would look like.
4. Choose one character and answer each of the following questions, giving detailed answers for each:
 - A. Do the character’s feelings/ideals/values change over the course of the novel? How so?
 - B. Why is s/he important to the novel?

- C. Would you like this character if they were a real person? Explain why or why not.
 - D. Would you want to be this character? Explain why or why not.
5. Answer each of the following questions in detail:
- E. What message did you get from the novel?
 - F. For whom do you believe this novel was written?
 - G. Do you think the author was successful in getting her message across? Why or why not?
 - H. What were the good and bad points of the novel?
 - I. Reflect on and share your reaction to the novel as a whole. Did you like it? What did you find interesting?
 - J. How does Jonas's society compare to our society today?
 - K. Could you ever see our society moving in the direction of Jonas's? Explain ways in which it could, or ways that it already has.