

## The Giver Chapter 1 Vocabulary and Questions

Fill out the table below

Words used in the society of 'The Giver'	Words we would use
Dwelling	
Sleepingroom	
Family unit	
Female (female child in the family unit)	
Male (as above)	
Newborn	
Mother	
Father	
Spouse	
Recreation period	

Which two words from the list below best describes the language people use in the world of *The Giver*.

- Cold
- Sinister
- Functional
- Formal
- Specific
- Distant
- Horrible
- Disconnected
- Emotionless
- Practical

Fill out the paragraph in your **books**

In the world of *The Giver* society uses language which is (use two of the words from above).....and..... Instead of using terms such as..... and.....the words.....and.....are used. People don't say ..... or .....but..... and ..... These type of (use a different word from above)..... words characterise the society of The Giver as a place where .....

Vocabulary:

Choose the vocabulary word from the word box below that comes closest in meaning to the underlined word or phrase in each sentence.

Word Box

Aptitude	Apprehensive	Prominent	Palpable
Vital	Nurture	Sleek	Wheedled
Adherence	Distraught	Intrigued	ironic

1. She admired the neighbour's cat for its glossy, black fur. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Bob was so interested in his mystery novel that he didn't hear the telephone ring.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Sarah didn't believe what the orator was saying and made sarcastic comments throughout the speech. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The score of the football game was so close that the tension in the room was tangible. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Jim became hysterical when he discovered the long scratch on his new sports car.  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. She was fearful about graduating from college, but her friends assured her she'd have no problem finding a job. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Jane coaxed and begged, but she could not convince anyone to try her meatloaf.  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. When Glenn came down with a bad cough, Jenny had to nurse him back to health.  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Janet would have applied for the secretarial position, but the ability to type 90 words per minute was an essential part of the job. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Bill's ability to simply listen to an engine and deduce from the sound what was wrong made him an important mechanic. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Brad's stubborn obedience to the rules of the game made it difficult for his teammates to cheat. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Jen had a talent for public speaking that many in the audience admired. \_\_\_\_\_

Answer the following questions in complete sentences in your **books**

1. Describe the evening ritual.
2. What does Lily mean when she says the visitors behaved like animals?
3. What is Jonas' father's occupation?
4. What is a family unit?
5. Why is Jonas apprehensive about the approach of December?
6. We learn that Jonas is an "Eleven" and his sister, Lily, is a "Seven." What do these numbers mean?
7. The author writes of occasions when members of the community are released. What are the three reasons one might be released from the community?

8. What does Jonas's family do at the dinner table each evening? Why do you think they are required to do this?
9. Why might the nurturers have to release the newchild, Gabriel?
10. What will happen to Jonas at the Ceremony of Twelve?
11. What changes does mother say are in store for Jonas after the ceremony?

**Extension questions**

1. What do you think release means?
2. What happens to a child at the Ceremony of Nine? What rule regarding Nines, was almost always broken?
3. What rule did Jonas's father break?
4. What group of people act as the governing body of the community? Who is the most important in this group?  
Agreeance