

The Giver - Chapters 3 & 4

I. Vocabulary: Contextual Understanding

Explain the following terms in the context of the community.

1. Remorse (n.):

2. Chortle (v.):

3. Gravitate (v.):

4. Serene (adj.):

5. Infraction (n.):

II. Analysis: The Apple & The Gaze

1. Describe the 'change' Jonas noticed in the apple. Why was he so confused by it?

2. Why are 'pale eyes' considered unusual? What does this suggest about the 'Sameness'?

III. Social Structures: The House of the Old

1. Explain the ritual of 'bathing the elderly.' What does it reveal about their society?

2. Compare the 'Release of a Newchild' with the 'Release of the Elderly.'

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IV. Discussion & Critical Reflection

1. Predictability vs. Freedom: Would you prefer a life where your future is planned by 'Elders', or a life with freedom to fail?

2. The Nature of Guilt: Does the public apology for every 'infraction' truly help or is it a tool for control?

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Solutions: Chapters 3 & 4

I. Vocabulary: 1. Deep regret, 2. Gleeful laugh, 3. To move toward, 4. Calm, 5. Rule violation.

II. Analysis: 1. Color flicker; Jonas only knows grey. 2. Genetic variety vs. total conformity.

III. House of the Old: 1. Care but isolation. 2. Tragedy vs. Celebration; both mysterious.

IV. Discussion: Individual answers.