English Holiday Homework

The Giver Plot Summary

Exposition:

The story is based around in a setting called the Sameless where there is absolutely no pain, war, conflict, love, feelings, emotion. The government which is run by the elderly have made strict rules which if broken, the person who broke them will be ‘released’ which is basically torturing until death. Some of the rules in this community is that all children will promoted to the next age group in December at the same ceremony, every child when turns 12 will be assigned a Job in the community, government will assign spouses to people, a couple can only have one boy and one girl as children, the new born children are separated from their birth mothers and then they spend one year in nurturing center, once the children grow up the family is separated so the children can be assigned children and spouses and the parents can be released (death). The story is based around a 11 year old boy who is about to turn 12 soon. He has one sister and a mother and a father. His name is Jonas, Jonas is apprehensive about his new Job in the upcoming ceremony of the 12.

Conflict:

At the big day of the ceremony of 12, Jonas is assigned a very crucial and important Job which is the receiver of memories which is basically a job where the person holds on to the memories of the past with pain, war, love, feelings, emotion and the person dedicated to this job will know all the aspects of life there were before. After the ceremony, Jonas goes to the Giver of memories who was the previous receiver and he transmits memories on to Jonas. Once the Giver started the process of transmitting memories, Jonas started to get the sense of love and felt different emotions at the same time, He received memories of pleasure and pain, love and sadness, warm and cold etc. He then realizes how bland and empty his community is. His life started to have more of a meaning to it from that instant. He wanted to share these experiences with the people he loves but cant since the government has brainwashed these people to life in the empty lifestyle. He started to become angry with the government

Rising Climax:

While The giver was transmitting all the memories to Jonas, they grew closer together like grandfather and grandson. But Jonas had some other problem to worry about, a newborn named Gabriel who was going to be assigned to him had trouble sleeping in the nurturing center, so Jonas used to transmit soothing memories to Gabriel to help him sleep. He started to grow close with Gabriel also since Jonas found him so innocent. When Jonas heard that Gabriel was in danger of being released, The Giver told him that being released is the same as death. This made Jonas furious and he instantly started devising a plan to change the community forever. The Giver told him about the previous receiver which was The Giver’s daughter and when she was released, all her memories were accumulated and released to the community, those memories then entered elsewhere which is where people are released

Climax:

The Giver and Jonas plan that Jonas will enter elsewhere with Gabriel so he doesn’t die and then he will disperse his large segment of memories there and the Giver will convince the community about the current situation. However when Jonas got to know that Gabriel will be released the next day, he stole his fathers bicycle and went to Elsewhere. He suddenly felt a rush of emotions and felt hunger and pain.

Falling Climax: The setting of else where is very cold and almost everything there is frozen, there is a lot of snow there and he is trying to comfort Gabriel by giving him soothing and warm memories. Riding the bike in this amount of snow was almost impossible so he needed to hike on the tall mountain until he found a sled, he had realised that he had seen that sled in one of his memories and realised that this may be his memory and destiny.

Ending:

Jonas and Gabriel decide the sled down the mountain once he sees a village whith Christmas decorations all around and he suddenly gets the feeling that someone is waiting for them there. The author doesn’t specify that what happens to them both but we can assume that they may have died because of the cold weather.