

DEVICE 4: Resolution

Step 1: DEFINITION

Resolution is:

The conclusion of a story where the conflict is resolved or settled, showing what happens to the characters after the climax. The resolution may provide complete closure or leave some questions unanswered.

Example from a different text:

In *Charlotte's Web*, the resolution occurs when Wilbur lives through the winter, Charlotte's babies are born, and some stay with Wilbur while others leave—showing life continuing after Charlotte's death.

Step 2: FIND THE TOPIC

Your Turn: Find how Jonas's conflict ends in the story. Write it below:

He takes Gabriel, crosses the river, and flees the community by bicycle.

Step 3: IDENTIFY THE OBJECT

What does the resolution DO in this story? What is its purpose or function?

- A) Clearly explains that Jonas and Gabriel survive and live happily ever after
- B) Shows Jonas returning to the community and becoming the new Giver
- C) Leaves Jonas's fate uncertain through an ambiguous ending with the sled and lights
- D) Describes what happens to all the community members after Jonas leaves

Your Answer: _____

Step 4: ANALYZE IT

Put these details in order to show HOW the resolution unfolds:

- A) Jonas sees colored lights in windows and hears music, suggesting a real community
- B) Jonas takes Gabriel and escapes the community, facing hunger and cold
- C) Jonas finds the hill from his first memory and sleds down with Gabriel

Your Answer: 1 B, 2 C, 3 A

Step 5: WRITE THE DETAIL

Now that you understand HOW the resolution works, write the specific detail from the extract that best shows this.

Use this format: "shown through [specific detail/example from text]"

Your Detail:

Jonas and Gabriel found a sled, ~~and~~ when they sled down, they saw coloured lights and they hear music.

Step 6: CATEGORIZE THE EFFECT

Part A: Sort ALL the effects into categories

- Leaves readers debating whether Jonas and Gabriel survive or die
- Creates an open-ended conclusion that invites interpretation
- Shows that escape from the community is possible but uncertain
- Makes readers feel both hopeful and anxious about Jonas's fate
- Suggests there are other communities beyond Jonas's world
- Connects to themes about freedom, sacrifice, and the unknown

Reader Response

1 Effect #: 1

Effect #: 4

Meaning Creation

2 Effect #: 3

Effect #: 5

Thematic Impact

3 Effect #: 6

Effect #: 2

Which category best describes how the resolution works in THIS story?

Which specific effect from that category best fits?

ACTIVITY 5: DEVICE SUMMARY PARAGRAPH

Instructions: Using your T+V+O sentence from Activity 3 and the Detail and Effect banks from Activity 4, write a 3-5 sentence paragraph explaining how each device works in *The Giver*.

How to build your paragraph:

1. Start with your T+V+O sentence from Activity 3
2. Add the Detail from the Detail Bank using a connector (shown through, evidenced by, etc.)
3. Add the Effect from the Effect Bank using a connector (which, creating, to reveal)
4. Expand with 1-2 more sentences explaining HOW the device works

Scaffold Option - Sentence Starters:

- In this novel, Lowry...
- This is shown when...
- The effect of this is...
- This helps readers understand...
- Overall, the use of [Device]...
- By the end of the story,
 ^{V The narrative's conflict}

1. Overall, the use of conflict ~~reveals~~ the dark

truth behind the seemingly perfect community.

Tonks thinks and act differently compare to the society

which repeats things over and over again. ~~He is~~

also ~~never~~ questioned why the elders are holding memories

back and don't let people have their own feelings. This

conflict gives us hints that Tonks ~~is~~ ~~gets~~

~~going to escape this community~~ ~~one day~~ does not ~~go~~

belong in this society and ~~this~~ makes the reader

is not living a happy life in this seemingly perfect

society, therefore this makes the ~~real~~ reader question

~~is~~ ^{are} sacrificing freedom and emotions worth the safety

and stability.

2. The narrative's resolution builds up Jonas's escape plan from this community. Jonas got the information where Gabriel is going to be released tomorrow. He quickly took Gabriel, crossed the river and flees the community by bicycle, after that they found a sled and they sled down ~~and hear music~~ where they see coloured light houses and ~~they~~ they heard music. This resolution ~~has~~ makes the reader ~~question~~ question whether or not Gabriel and Jonas is safe.

Summary paragraph

In this story, the resolution is ~~presented~~ presented ~~getting bigger and bigger~~ by the author presented the resolution by making the conflict between the ~~commun~~ community and Jonas bigger and bigger bits by bits. Jonas getting assigned the job as 'Receiver', ~~Jonas realizes~~ then Jonas realizes there are hundreds of wonderful memories no one in the community has ever experienced before, after that Jonas ~~realizes~~ realizes the horror that to be 'released' means being killed, therefore Jonas took Gabriel and escaped the seemingly perfect ~~communi~~ community.