1. **Vocabulary**  Use the context to determine the meaning of the underlined word in each of the following sentences. Circle its meaning from the choices listed below each sentence.

   Any young men with severe vision problems will be **exempted** from military service.
   a. expelled    b. freed    c. delayed    d. acquitted

   To protect people from nighttime bombings, there was a **prohibition** against going out after dark.
   a. encouragement    b. ban    c. flight    d. permission

   Instruction in learning to read is an **integral** part of most first grade programs.
   a. essential    b. intense    c. abhorrent    d. unimportant

   Although some people find a ride on a rollercoaster to be **exhilarating**, I find it terrifying.
   a. amusing    b. frightening    c. tedious    d. stimulating

   In the fall, the number of daylight hours **diminishes**.
   a. lessens    b. expands    c. vanishes    d. increases

2. What did Asher’s hesitation in congratulating Jonas indicate?

3. Which item in the list of duties and responsibilities frightened Jonas? Why did this frighten him?

4. Why was the concept of pain beyond Jonas’s comprehension?

5. What was unique about the Annex?

6. At first, why did Jonas misinterpret the Receiver’s job of transmitting memories of the past?
7. Why was the transmittal of the memory of snow so exhausting to the old man? What does this reveal about the community?

8. What two lessons did Jonas learn about the sun?

9. Why did the Giver appear a little sad at the end of the first day of training?

10. What do you think is the most severe pain?