

**Read the following title(s):**

*The Giver* by Lois Lowry

\*We will be reading *Gathering Blue*, *Messenger* and *Son* by Lois Lowry during the first and second quarters, if it is easier/cheaper to acquire all four novels at once, or as a collection.\*

**Assignments for Readings:**

**A. Define** the following literary terms and find an example from the novel.

theme-

protagonist-

conflict-

antagonist-

symbol(-ism, -ic)-

Define *science fiction*. How is the novel an example of the genre?

Define *utopia* and *dystopia*. What elements of utopia and dystopia do you see in the novel?

**B. Writing:**

Determine whether the society of *The Giver* is “utopian” or “dystopian”. Write one essay explaining your choice using evidence from the text for support. Using a T-Chart to list the elements of each could be useful to help you plan your writing.

**C. Grammar**

1. Define noun, including proper nouns and common nouns. Copy one sentence from the novel; underline the proper nouns and circle the common nouns.

2. Define a verb. Copy one sentence from the novel; underline the verbs.

3. Define a pronoun. Copy one sentence from the novel that uses pronouns; circle the pronouns.

4. Define an adjective. Copy one sentence from the novel that uses adjectives; underline the adjectives.

5. Define an adverb. Copy one sentence from the novel that uses adverbs; circle

the adverbs.