

Parade of Books 1 – Shawn Ogradowski

Introductory discussion questions for groups of two or three.

- a) What books from your childhood made a lasting impression and why?

- b) Compare and contrast your reading habits today with those of your childhood.

Favorite Book:

The Giver by Lois Lowry

Chapters 1 and 2

Group Discussion Questions

- Why might the arrival of a jet be a terrifying experience for the entire community? Why do you think Lowry decided to use this flashback as her lead for the novel?

- What is the difference between frightened and apprehensive? Why is Jonas apprehensive and not frightened about the upcoming Ceremony of Twelve?

- How important are rules in this society? What rules have you read about so far? Which rules would be the most difficult for you to follow? Why?

- How would you respond if you were “given” a spouse rather than getting to choose who you marry? How would you respond if you were “assigned” an occupation rather than getting to choose one?