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1. Using evidence from the text, what are your first impressions of Jonas? (I think Jonas is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_).
2. What do you think it means to be “released”? Does the text provide any clues?
3. Why was Jonas afraid when an unidentified aircraft flew over the community? What does this say about the community? How is Jonas’s community different than ours?
4. What Assignment do you think you would receive from the Ceremony of the Twelve?
5. What do you think the significance of the apple is? Refer to the text for clues.
6. How are family units organized in Jonas’s community? What are similarities with our own family units? What do you think of how family units are in this community?

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1. Discuss the juxtaposition between the community’s desire for sameness and their unwritten rule about not pointing out differences.
2. Why does the Speaker have primary responsibility for making announcements?
3. Why was Jonas embarrassed about his dream? What is the outcome of his telling of the dream? Why doesn’t he just not share the dream?
4. What is the irony of Larissa implying that Edna’s life had little meaning?