

Name _____ **The Giver**

Figurative Language Analysis Answer Key

1. Jonas on loneliness of memories

- Device: Metaphor
- Meaning: Memories = weight that isolates unless shared.
- Theme: Human connection depends on shared experience and history.

2. Sameness

- Device: Symbolism
- Meaning: Represents control, safety at the cost of individuality.
- Theme: Freedom vs. conformity.

3. The apple

- Device: Symbolism
- Meaning: First glimpse of color → awakening to deeper reality.
- Theme: Knowledge, perception, individuality (echoes the biblical apple).

4. Pain and pleasure

- Device: Juxtaposition / paradox
- Meaning: Pain makes joy meaningful.
- Theme: Importance of full human emotion and experience.