

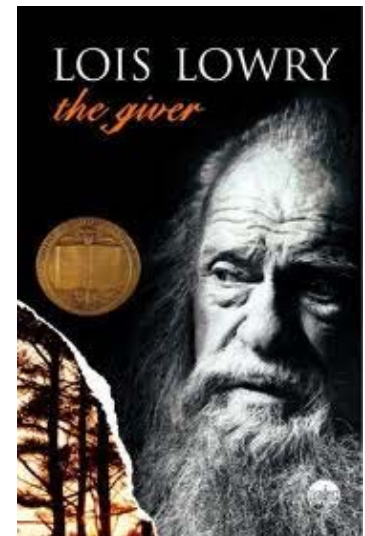
Title: **The Giver**

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### **Summary:**

The Giver takes place during a time after a great disaster has occurred, in a society where everything appears perfect. In this society no one ever knows the loss of death, the want of hunger, the horrors of war, the extremes of temperature and weather, or even pain itself. Every need is taken care of and every life carefully planned. However, for this perfection there are sacrifices, they are unable to see colours or feel true love. That is except for two, the Giver and the Receiver, who are separate from society. They hold all the painful memories for the people and because of this they are different. Read this book to find out how things that appear perfect are not, and why in order to experience the fullness of life you need both pleasant and painful experiences.

### **Reasons of Recommendation:**

I would like to recommend The Giver by Lowis Lowry for senior forms students because it raises many questions about our modern day society. The concept of utopian societies is always a great point of debate for teenagers and the concept of a dystopia often a new concept. These two concepts when contrasted against our current society reveal many new and poignant insights into human interaction.