

## **Editing your essay**

When preparing the final draft of your *Giver* essay remember to do the following things:

- \* Write in sentences.
- \* Underline OR *italicize* the title of the novel whenever you use it, e.g. The Giver (handwritten papers) or *The Giver* (word-processed papers).
- \* Use the present tense when writing about what happens in the book. The characters in the book live in the present tense in the sense that one can open up the book today, tomorrow, or ten years from now and we'll still find Jonas risking his life to help Gabe.

CORRECT: Jonas risks his live to save Gabe.

WRONG: Jonas risked his live to save Gabe.

- \* Type your name and date in the upper right hand corner of the essay
- \* Include an interesting and relevant title
- \* Remember to cite evidence correctly within your paragraphs

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