

## question from a reader

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*I was just wondering if there would be another book after 'Messenger' because I am a big fangirl of Jonas. Oh, I was wondering... did you base or get inspiration for the character 'Jonas' from someone?*

Well, receiving this post is as good an excuse as any to knock off work for a few moments. I have been at my desk since 6:30 this morning...it's now 1:30 PM...except for a trip to the kitchen for some lunch.

No, there will not, as far as I know, be another in THE GIVER trilogy. If I should change my mind about that, the main character would be Gabriel, who was only eight in the book MESENGER. It would be interesting to see him as an older boy. But then of course it wouldn't be a trilogy any longer.

In answer to the second question: no Jonas is a completely made-up character. Except that no character really is ENTIRELY "made up" because all fictional characters are based on people the author has known or read about or seen or been.

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