## The Boy in the Striped Pajamas Movie Guide

## Movie Questions

Answer the following questions as you watch the movie <u>The Boy in the Striped Pajamas</u>

- 1. Where does Bruno live before moving to Poland? (1 point)
- 2. Why is Bruno so angry about the move? (1 point)
- 3. Which character uses the harsh line stating "They're not really people," when making a reference to the Jews? What does this mean? (2 points)
- 4. Pavel is one of the Jews taken prisoner and is used as a servant for the family when they move to the country from the city. What was Pavel's job before he became a prisoner? How do we find this out? (2 points)

- 5. What is the name of the boy in the striped pajamas that Bruno meets and forms a friendship with? How does Bruno meet him? (2 points)
- 6. What does Bruno think the concentration camp is when the family first arrive at their new house in the country? (1 point)
- 7. Where is the father of Lieutenant Kotler living? What happens to Lieutenant Kotler because of this? (2 points)

8. What is the name of the German tutor that Father hires to teach Gretel and Bruno? What does he teach the children? How do they respond? (3 points)

9. What happens to Pavel after he spills some wine on the table while serving it during dinner? Describe the scene. What can you INFER happened to Pavel? (2 points)

- 10. Bruno discovers a large pile of something belonging to his sister, Gretel in the basement. What does he find? What does Gretel's new interest? (2 points)
- 11. What happens to Bruno at the end of the movie? Describe the scene. (2 points)

## **Essay/Discussion Questions**

Complete the following questions AFTER watching the movie.

12. How does the opening scene of Bruno and his friends represent how innocent children are? (4 points)

13. Bruno's grandmother disagrees with the Nazis. How does she stand up for her beliefs? (3 points)

14. How is it possible for Bruno and Shmuel to have fun together and maintain their friendship despite their circumstances? (3 points)

15. The barbed wire fence is a physical separation between Bruno and Shmuel. What OTHER types of separation does the fence represent in this story? (2 points)

16. How do Bruno and Shmuel demonstrate the principle of friendship despite their many differences? What are their differences? (5 points)

17. In YOUR OPINION, what does the end of the story symbolize? Explain. (5 points)