

THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PAJAMAS: MOVIE VERSION

Study Guide compares the book *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne to the movie *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* (2008) starring Asa Butterfield, Jack Scanlon, Vera Farmiga, David Thewlis and Rupert Friend. Directed by Mark Herman. Miramax Films.



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SAMPLE THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PAJAMAS: MOVIE VERSION

THE MOVIE VERSION OF *THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PAJAMAS* IS NOT LIKE THE BOOK by John Boyne

RECOMMENDED MOVIE: *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* (2008) starring Asa Butterfield, Jack Scanlon, Vera Farmiga, David Thewlis and Rupert Friend. Directed by Mark Herman. Miramax Films. This is the ONLY film of the book.

HOW ACCURATE IS THE MOVIE VERSION OF THE BOOK?

Plot: ★★☆☆☆ Characters: ★★★★★☆ Setting: ★★★★★☆
Structure: ★★★★★☆ Symbols: ★★★★★☆ Theme: ★★★★★★

THE MOVIE: SUMMARY

The following is a scene-by-scene comparison of the movie to the corresponding chapters in the book.

THE MOVIE: CHAPTER 1

OPENING SCENE: In Berlin, Germany in 1942 three boys play in the street pretending they are flying airplanes. (**ERROR: Not in the book**) Servants prepare for a dance party by rolling up a rug. Servants are setting the table. (**ERROR: Not in the book**) A soldier pushes a woman in the street and other soldiers load people into a truck. (**ERROR: Not in the book**)

Bruno returns home from school. (**ACCURATE**) His mother is preparing for a party to celebrate his father's promotion. (**ERROR: Not in the book**) At a family meeting Bruno's father tells him they are moving to the country. (**ERROR: In the book Bruno's mother tells him they are moving**) Father tells Bruno and Gretel they will meet friends in the country, and Bruno will have adventures like the ones in his story books. (**ERROR: Not in the book**) Father says his life as a soldier is one of duty not choice. (**ERROR: Not in the book**)

At night there is a big party to celebrate Father's promotion. (**ERROR: Not in the book**) Guests are dancing when Father makes his entrance. (**ERROR: Not in the book**) The band plays the national anthem and guests raise their arms and shout "Heil Hitler" as Father descends the staircase in his new uniform. (**ERROR: Not in the book**)

OMISSIONS: The family's maid Maria is packing up Bruno's belongings when he arrives home from school. Bruno's mother tells him they are moving. She says Father has received a promotion and is being transferred. Bruno and his sister Gretel will have to say goodbye to their friends. When Bruno protests, his mother says he has no choice.

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QUIZ

The quiz compares the movie *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* starring Asa Butterfield, Jack Scanlon, Vera Farmiga and David Thewlis with the novel *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne.

- ___ 1. Bruno and Gretel are sad to leave Berlin because they will miss . . .
a. music lessons b. school c. sports d. friends
- ___ 2. From the window in his room at Auschwitz Bruno can see . . .
a. men and boys b. Shmuel c. farm animals d. fields of wheat
- ___ 3. The location of Auschwitz is in . . .
a. Germany b. Poland c. Austria d. Belgium

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