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**The Boy in the Striped Pajamas- Video Notes**

Set during World War II, a story seen through the innocent eyes of Bruno, the eight-year-old son of the commandant at a concentration camp, whose forbidden friendship with a Jewish boy on the other side of the camp fence has startling and unexpected consequences.

1. The movie begins with a party at Bruno’s home in Berlin, Germany. What are they celebrating?
2. How long is Bruno’s family planning to live in the countryside?
3. How does Bruno seem to feel about his new house in the beginning?
4. What does Bruno see out of his window? How do his parents react to what he has seen when he tells them?
5. Who are we to assume the people in the striped pajamas are?
6. While swinging on his new swing, what does Bruno see once again in the sky?
7. What did Pavel say he did for a career before becoming a “potato peeler”?
8. When Bruno meets Shmuel (the other little boy- pronounced Schmol), what does he innocently think Shmuel is doing on the other side of the fence?
9. What is Bruno’s reaction when he learns Shmuel is a Jew?
10. What does Bruno say when confronted if he knew Shmuel by Lt. Kotler in the house?
11. What happened to Shmuel after the incident with Lt. Kotler?
12. How did Bruno’s grandmother die?
13. Before Bruno’s family leaves the country home for good, how does Bruno plan to help Shmuel find his dad? Be specific.
14. Describe the conditions in the “shower” for Bruno, Shmuel, and the others. Describe as many as possible.
15. Do you feel that the end of the story is justified? In other words, did Bruno’s dad deserve what happened Bruno for his role in running the concentration camp. Please expand your answer beyond 1 or 2 sentences.