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Teachers to Israel (T2I)  
Post-trip Project**

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**Year of Trip:** April 2007

**Title of Project:** Exploring the Holocaust through Young Adult Fiction

**Target Audience:** Grades 6-8

**Description of Project:** Students will read the novel *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne. This is the story of two boys, one the son of the commandant of Auschwitz and the other a Jew, who come face-to-face at a barbed wire fence that separates, and eventually intertwines their lives. This novel serves as the jumping of point for an investigation of the roles of perpetrators, bystanders, and victims of the Holocaust.

After reading the novel, students will be divided into groups representing one of these three points of view. Each group will explore their role via a webquest that will lead them to specific websites selected to expedite this investigation. The end product will be a poster board and presentation to the rest of the class.

