

## IB Senior English Summer Project

Welcome to IB Senior English! The first book we will study in 2008-09 is the popular memoir, This Boy's Life by Tobias Wolff. Please check one out from the bookroom or purchase your own copy. In order to make the time and effort we spend on this book the most effective and rewarding, you will be required to read it during the summer. The activity I would like you to do has three phases:

- 1) Find a passage that shows a narrative sequence of events with a distinct beginning and end. Xerox or type the passage for class. Note the page number(s). In addition, there should be some kind of theme related to the events, such as making a friend, showing rebellion, keeping a secret, etc.
- 2) Write a narrative draft about your own life that represents the same theme as the passage you chose from This Boy's Life (1000-1200 words, typed, 12-point font, double-spaced).
- 3) Make a cover that expresses the theme artistically.

Be ready to discuss your passage on Friday, September 5.

Be ready to share your narrative draft and cover art as early as Monday, September 8. Have a safe summer. I look forward to seeing you in the fall.

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