

2 teens imprisoned for attack on boy

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LEEDS, England -- Two British teenagers were sent to locked facilities for leading a brutal attack on a 15-year-old who was tortured and dumped in a shallow grave.

The victim survived the attack. But the judge who sentenced his tormentors was told that he continues to have flashbacks, The Daily Mail reported.

Prosecutors at a hearing Friday in Leeds Crown Court said that the ringleaders, a girl then aged 14 and a boy, 13, joined by two 11-year-olds, enticed the victim to a hideout in the woods. They hit him with branches and pieces of wood, burned his clothes and jammed lit cigarettes into his nose.

The girl, now 15, was sentenced to 15 months in secure detention, while the boy was given a year. The two younger children were placed under supervision orders for two years, including an 8 p.m. curfew for three months.

"This is one of the most difficult cases I have ever had to deal with," Judge Kerry Macgill said. "It is almost like a scene out of 'Lord of The Flies,' where children are left to their own devices and can do simply appalling things to other children."

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