

ADVENTURES AT SEA

Read the text and fill in the blanks with an appropriate word.

Yann Martel's *Life of Pi* is a novel that you should (1) _____ read late in the evening if you intend to get (2) _____ sleep at night! It is definitely a page-turner; I personally found it absolutely impossible to (3) _____ down before I had read it cover (4) _____ cover.

The book tells the unusual story of a sixteen-year-old-boy, Pi. (5) _____ Pi is making the voyage from India to Canada on a boat full of zoo animals, his boat sinks. Being the (6) _____ human survivor, he finds (7) _____ sharing a lifeboat with a menagerie of creatures, including a hyena, a zebra, an orangutan and a 100 kg Bengal Tiger.

Although the book is written in a fairly simple style, (8) _____ examines some very complex themes. In (9) _____, the novel reads like a fable or a fairy tale as it discusses the question (10) _____ faith and belief.

If you read only (11) _____ good book this year, I (12) _____ strongly recommend Martel's *Life of Pi*. The writer has come up (13) _____ a story that is enlightening, humorous and therefore highly entertaining.

