About The Book

Life of Pi is a fantasy adventure novel revolving around a young Indian boy, Piscine Molitor Patel, aka Pi, who gets trapped in a lifeboat with a Bengal tiger named Richard Parker. The childhood memories of Pi, learning about animals in a city zoo owned by his father greatly helps him for his survival despite the ordeals. The phenomenal journey of Pi and Richard Parker in Life of Pi unfolds spirituality, mystical connection with animals and relativity of truth.

Sequence of daring escapade begins when the freighter, in which the family along with animals from the zoo moves to Canada, encounters a storm and sinks. The shipwreck forces Pi to confront Richard Parker, a famished Bengal tiger who frightens Pi more, after his attack on a hyena that managed to climb the lifeboat. Pi realizes that a requisite to command and train Richard Parker is created, due to unfortunate circumstances.

Two hundred and twenty seven days of the floating journey in the Pacific Ocean comes to an end, when Pi and Richard Parker arrives at the shores of Mexico. The climax answers: What happens to the peculiar connection between Pi and Richard Parker? Did the story convince the investigators who investigate Pi about the incident?

The book leaves it to the audience, to eventually chose the ending with a better story that they prefer, which makes it more remarkable. Life of Pi was published by Random House of Canada (Knopf Canada) in 2012 and is available in paperback.

Key Features:

The book won the Man Booker Prize for Fiction (UK edition), a South African Novel award Boeke Prize in 2003 and Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature in Best Adult Fiction in 2004.

It was adapted into a feature film directed by Ang Lee with a screenplay by David Magee.

The novel has sold more than twelve million copies worldwide.

About the Author

A Spanish-born Canadian author, Yann Martel who has won a number of literary prizes started writing while he was at university and his first work appeared in print in 1988. As an adult, Martel worked at odd jobs. Martel's first novel Self appeared in 1996, followed by Life of Pi in 2001. His other notable works include The High Mountains of Portugal and Beatrice and Virgil.

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