

Life of Pi 1 – Pondicherry

The writer

Why was the writer in Pondicherry?	He was writing a novel there.
Why was the writer in India?	It's cheaper to live there than Portugal.
What nationality is the writer?	He's Canadian.
How does the writer know Pi?	An acquaintance (Mamaji) he met in India.
Where did the writer meet Mamaji?	In a coffeehouse in Pondicherry.

The writer's book

The writer is writing his first book	No.
Pi liked his first book	Yes.
The writer is writing his second book	Not anymore, he gave up on it.
How long had he been working on this book?	For two years.
The second book was set in India	No, in Portugal.

The hometown: Pondicherry

Where is Pondicherry?	It's in (former French) India.
What is Pondicherry similar to?	It is similar to the south of France.
What divided Indian and French Pondicherry?	A canal.
What is found to the west?	The Muslim quarter.
What happened in 1954?	The French gave Pondicherry to India. To celebrate, Pi's father opened a zoo.

Pi

What two jobs did Pi's father do?	He ran a hotel and then opened a zoo.
What did Pi's mother do?	She was a botanist in the botanical gardens.
When was Pi's brother born?	A year after the wedding.
When was Pi born?	Two years after that.