177-208 Life of Pi Writing Quiz

Names (work on your own or with one partner):

Directions: Below you are several claims. You also have a column of "evidence" from the text. Your job is to move the evidence from the column to the claim that it best fits. No selection of evidence will be used more than once. All evidence must be used. This activity will count as a quiz level grade.

Evidence Chart: Move relevant evidence from this chart to the one below. If you place unrelated evidence at a claim or leave related evidence here, points will be deducted from grade.

"Later that morning a second turtle appeared. It came right up to the raft. It could have reached up and bit my bottom if it had wanted to. When it turned I reached for its hind flipper, but as soon as I touched it I recoiled in horror" (179). "And I survived because I made a point of forgetting. My story started on a calendar day–July 2nd, 1977–and ended on a calendar day–February 14th, 1978–but in between there was no calendar" (191). "I descended to a level of savagery I never imagined possible" (197).	"[The fish] was the first sentient being I had ever killed. I was now a killer" (183). "A lifetime of peaceful vegetarianism stood between me and the willful beheading of a fish" (183). "But in point of fact the explanation lies elsewhere. It is simple and brutal: a person can get used to anything, even to killing" (185). "Time is an illusion that only makes us pant. I survived because I forgot even the very notion of time" (192).

Claims	**Evidence that BEST fits this claim: give a bulleted list.**
Pi is an unreliable narrator whose grasp on reality is too weak to be trusted.	•
Pi has turned to cannibalism to survive but rather than directly admitting it, only alludes to it.	•
Pi has not actually turned to cannibalism which is indicated by his difficulties harming another creature.	•

Now, you must write a paragraph that follows the CLEVER model (claim, evidence, reasoning, evidence, reasoning). Use one of the claims above (you may copy and paste it into the body paragraph). Then, use at least two pieces of evidence (as embedded, cited quotes). Then, provide your reasoning that shows "how" the evidence proves your claim.

Rubric: Life of Pi Evidence and Paragraph Response

	Evidence matched with best claim (up to 7)
	Uses one of the provided claims (no credit for this, as I've created it for you; however, if you fail to include the claim I've created, I will deduct 10 points from final grade, as I will be unsure what claim your reasoning is trying to prove).
	Embeds and cites evidence ● Embedding sets up context (2), embedding only sets up that the book/author/character says something (1), floating quote (0). ● Has correct in-text citation (2), attempting but punctuation or other issues (1), no attempt at in-text citation (0).
	Reasoning is present ● Reasoning uses "specific details" and discusses how they prove claim (4), reasoning discusses what claim proves (in general or with specific details) but leaves the reader to fully connect to the claim (3), reasoning simply states that the evidence proves something or shows something (2), reasoning is simply a restatement of the evidence or giving context (1), or there is no clear attempt (0).
	Embeds and cites evidence ● Embedding sets up context (2), embedding only sets up that the book/author/character says something (1), floating quote (0). ● Has correct in-text citation (2), attempting but punctuation or other issues (1), no attempt at in-text citation (0).
	Reasoning is present ● Reasoning uses "specific details" and discusses how they prove claim (4), reasoning discusses what claim proves (in general or with specific details) but leaves the reader to fully connect to the claim (3), reasoning simply states that the evidence proves something or shows something (2), reasoning is simply a restatement of the evidence or giving context (1), or there is no clear attempt (0).
	Sentence level issues ● None are present (2), minor issues (e.g. missing commas) but do not distract (1), careless errors or major issues (0). .

Points Earned (up to 25)	**x4**	**Score**