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## The Prince and the Pauper

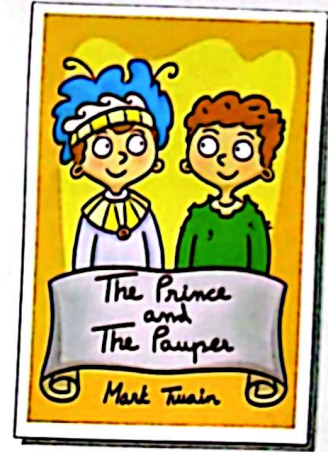
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I think this book is very <sup>9</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ because it helps us imagine what it is like to live a different life. A poor life and a rich life have both got their problems. No life is perfect, and it makes me happy to have my life. I'd definitely <sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ this book to all my friends.



by Robbie




- 15 A book review has got the following information. Look at Activity 14 again and find these things.

- 1 a title and the author
- 2 the main character or characters
- 3 the setting
- 4 what the story is about
- 5 the story's message
- 6 the reviewer's opinion and rating

- 16 Look at the reviews of *Black Beauty* and *Moby Dick* again and find the information in Activity 15.

- 17 Write a review of your favourite book. Include the information in Activity 15.

## VALUES

 Reading important books helps you learn about being a good person.

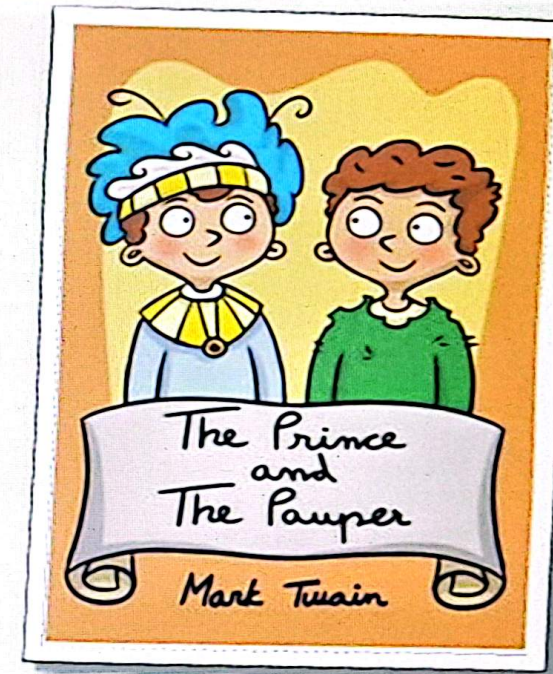
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## 13 Read and match.

## READING

My favourite book is *Robinson Crusoe*, which was written by English author Daniel Defoe in 1719.

The book is about a man called Robinson Crusoe, who goes on a long journey by sea. There is a big storm, the boat sinks and Robinson is shipwrecked on a desert island for 28 years. He makes a life for himself on the island by building a house and planting food. He meets a man who is called Friday and he teaches him English. In the end, he is rescued by a group of sailors and he and Friday go back to Europe.

I really like the story because it's so exciting that you can't put it down. Also, you really get to know the main character because the book is mainly about him. I would recommend this book to anybody who likes exciting stories with interesting characters.



By Jenny, 12 years old

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|---------------------------|--|
| 1 Daniel Defoe            | a wrote this book review.  |
| 2 Robinson Crusoe         | b is the author of <i>Robinson Crusoe</i> .                          |
| 3 Friday                  | c is the main character in the book who is shipwrecked on an island. |
| 4 Robinson builds a house | d is Robinson's friend on the island.                                |
| 5 Jenny                   | e and plants food.   |

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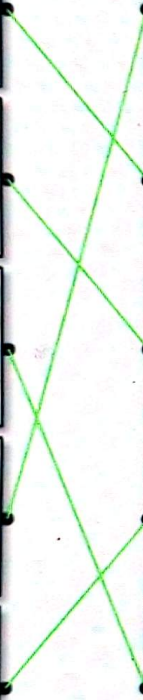
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**Answer the questions.**

1 When was *Robinson Crusoe* written?

1719

3 Who rescues him in the end?

a group of sailors

5 Who would Jenny recommend this book to?

to anyone who likes  
exciting stories

2 How long is Robinson on the island for?

29 years

4 What two reasons does Jenny give for liking this book?

because it is so exciting  
that you can not put it  
down,also you really get  
to know the main  
character

**Have you read Robinson Crusoe? If the answer is yes, then what did you think of it? If the answer is no, has this book review made you want to read it?**

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no, I have not. But I will  
read in the future.

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