



Hello Friend!

My name is Banjo Robinson. Amongst other things, I am a cat.

Not long ago, I was prowling along the beach when I ran into a friend who told me about you. She told me you like stories and adventure, and that, every now and then, you get into a proper spot of mischief! 'Wowzers!', I said, twizzling my whiskers, 'I must get in touch!'

You see, my friend, I also like stories, adventures and a proper spot of mischief. In fact, I am on an adventure right now! I'm travelling around our wonderful planet seeing new sights, tasting new tastes, and meeting all kinds of cats (and non-cats). But an adventure is so much more fun when you can share it. So, the absolute BEST part of my trip will be writing letters to you! And you can follow my travels on your special map! Can you find the ANDAMAN ISLANDS? That's where I am today!

I'm writing from the capital city, Port Blair, where I'm visiting my cousin Manu.

On my first night, I asked him to teach me the language. "Hmm," he said. "Do you want to learn Hindi, Onge, Jarawa, Bengali, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam or Sentenalese?" "I want to learn EVERYTHING," I said, "and visit ALL the islands." Manu smiled at me. "But Banjo, there



are 300!"

"Well, I want to see EVERYTHING," I said. "We should get going!"  
Manu just stretched sleepily, and said, "It's late. It'll be dark soon."

So, I took out my map and started planning things myself.

"Hey Banjo," said Manu suddenly, "Look UP!"

So I did - and the sky was thick with shimmering clusters of stars!

"Woo-oo-oow!" I said. "I've never seen all the stars before!"  
Manu laughed. "That isn't ALL the stars. There are about a SEPTILLION!"

I thought that was a made-up word, but it means  
1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000!

"So I'll NEVER see EVERYTHING." I said sadly.

"Nope."

"Well," I said, cheering up, "These ones are beautiful."

Well, I guess I can't see everything - the world's too big. But that does mean I'll never run out of beautiful new things to discover!

Your friend,

**BANJO ROBINSON** 



PS I know a dog around your way who goes by the name of Buster. Perhaps you could write back and Buster can deliver your reply to me! Why don't you write me a letter or draw me a picture and put it under the sofa before you go to bed? Don't forget to check in the morning to make sure it's gone!

PPS Do you like the animals I met? Can you name them from the pictures?