




# History - How did the 'unsinkable' Titanic sink?

## Year 2 – Spring Term 1

### Key learning:

1. What do we already know about the Titanic and what can we work out from a picture?
2. What was so special about life on the Titanic?
3. What was the Titanic's route?
4. What was life like in the period of time when the Titanic sailed?
5. Did it matter if you were rich or poor in 1912?
6. Why and how did the unsinkable Titanic sink?
7. What order did the events of the Titanic take place?
8. How should we film the sinking of the Titanic?
9. Why weren't more people saved from the Titanic?
10. How would the passengers have felt?
11. What are the best ways of stopping disasters such as the sinking of the Titanic ever happening again?

### TIMELINE

<p>1909</p>  <p>Construction begins in Belfast, Ireland</p>	<p>April 10<sup>th</sup> 1912 12 noon</p>  <p>RMS Titanic sets sail from Southampton</p>	<p>April 14<sup>th</sup> 1912 11.40pm</p>  <p>The lookout sees an iceberg dead ahead</p>	<p>April 15<sup>th</sup> 1912 12.00am</p>  <p>Captain Smith gives the order to call for help</p>	<p>April 15<sup>th</sup> 1912 2.05am</p>  <p>The lifeboats are lowered</p>	<p>April 15<sup>th</sup> 1912 8.50am</p>  <p>RMS Carpathia arrives in New York, USA</p>
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### Sticky Knowledge about The Titanic

- ❑ Titanic was built by a company called White Star Line. She was completed and ready for the ocean on 31<sup>st</sup> March 1912, after three years in construction in Belfast, Northern Ireland.
- ❑ Titanic was the most impressive and luxurious ship of her time. She was the biggest too, measuring 28 metres wide, 53 metres tall and 269 metres long.
- ❑ Titanic's full title was RMS Titanic. This stands for 'Royal Mail Steamer'. As well as passengers, the ship carried nearly 3500 sacks of letters, packages and documents.
- ❑ There were over 2,200 people on board Titanic, 900 of which were crew members.
- ❑ On 10<sup>th</sup> April 1912, Titanic set out on her maiden voyage taking people from Southampton, England, to New York, USA.

### VOCABULARY

maiden voyage	The first journey of a ship.
transatlantic	Crossing the Atlantic.
passenger	A person who is traveling in an car, bus, train, airplane or ship
iceberg	A large floating mass of ice detached from a glacier or ice sheet and floats in the sea.
survivor	A person who remains alive after an event in which others have died.
bow	The front section of a ship.
starboard	The right-hand side of a ship.
hull	The main body of a ship.