

Titanic

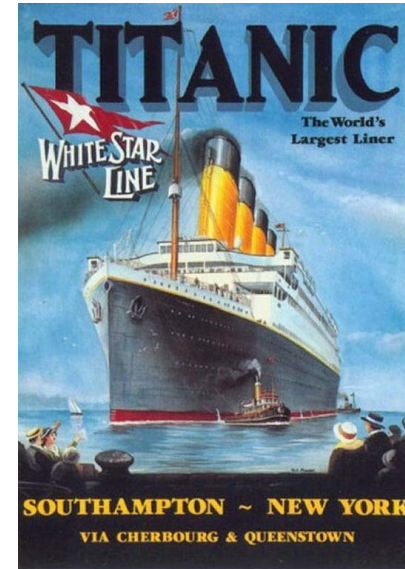


Curriculum Links:

- Events beyond living memory that are significant nationally or globally
- The lives of significant individuals in the past who have contributed to national and international achievements

Key Facts:

- Construction of the Titanic started on 31st March 1909, it took over 3 years to build.
- It's maiden voyage began on 10th April 1912 in Southampton, a year before it had been declared a marvel of British Engineering and unsinkable. At the time it was the world's largest passenger liner.
- By law third class passengers could not mix with first and second class passengers onboard.
- 1506 people died onboard the Titanic. 61% of first class passengers survived compared to only 24% of third class. 66% of third class children died - no first or second class children died.
- The Titanic could carry 64 lifeboats but only carried 20 (the legal requirement).
- On April 14th 1912, the Titanic hit an iceberg.
- The RMS Carpathia, a smaller transatlantic passenger steamship, responded to the Titanic's distress signal and rescued an estimated 705 passengers
- E.J. Smith was the Captain of the ship on the maiden voyage. He was planning on retiring after he had sailed to New York. He died going down with the ship.
- The wreck of the Titanic was discovered at the bottom of the ocean in 1985.



Key Vocabulary

Iceberg	A large mass of ice that floats in the sea
Maiden voyage	The first journey made by a ship
RMS	Royal Mail Ship
Transatlantic	Crossing the Atlantic ocean
Unsinkable	It cannot be sunk

Possible trips/visits: We should already know:

- * Chatham Dockyard
- * Passenger 'experience'
- * Themed day
- * Boat trip
- Make comments about familiar situations in the past
- Identify similarities and differences about the past