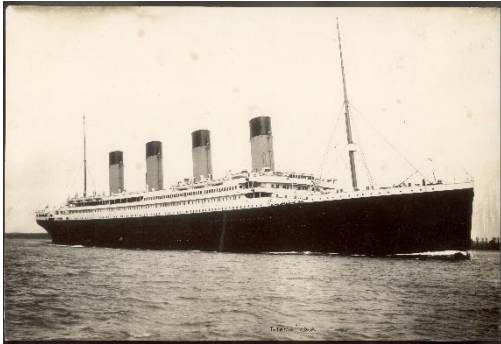




The Titanic

The Titanic was a British luxury ship which was meant to sail from the UK to the USA. In 1915, it set off on its maiden voyage but unfortunately struck an iceberg and sank.



Edward John Smith, Captain of RMS Titanic

What went wrong?

- The ship was travelling too fast, so wasn't able to slow down when the crew spotted the iceberg.
- Too much of the ship was damaged to keep the ship afloat.
- There were nowhere near enough lifeboats on board for the passengers.

The shipwreck was undiscovered for another 70 years when a team of scientists found it on the ocean floor.

After the disaster, around 705 out of 2,200 people were rescued.

The ship was powered on coal. It took 170 fire men to shovel enough coal every day!



Different people were sorted into different classes:

- First Class passengers lived in luxury after spending a lot of money.
- Second Class enjoyed some of the same treats as first.
- Third class bought cheap tickets and weren't treated quite as well.

Vocabulary	
Key Words	Definitions
Iceberg	A massive chunk of ice which has broken off a glacier and floats in the ocean.
luxury	Very fancy and impressive
maiden voyage	The first journey it has ever made.
classes	A group of people who have something in common, e.g. how much money they have.
lifeboat	Small, light boats which can be quickly lifted into the water if there is an emergency.

