

# Bishop Bronescombe C of E Primary School

Topic: The Titanic

Year 5/6

Strand: National History Study



The Titanic was built from 1909 to 1912 by The Harland and Wolff ship yard in Belfast, Ireland. She cost £1.5 million (£111.5 million in 2018) to build. She was launched on 31st May 1911 without her engines, funnels or superstructure built. It wasn't until 2nd April 1912 that she began her sea trials. Thomas Andrews was the designer of the Titanic. The ship belonged to The White Star shipping company and was one of three built with a luxury interior.

**What you should already know:**  
In Year 5, you will have done some local history studies including analysing primary and secondary sources to develop your understanding of the events of the industrial revolution and the life of the Victorians

**By the end of this topic:**  
You will know the events that led to the sinking of the unsinkable ship and the aftermath of the event. You will also gain a deeper understanding of the class divide and how the historical sinking changed shipping laws across the world. You will also use evidence to decide why the ship may have sunk.

Key vocabulary	
Unsinkable	Unable to sink
White Star Line	The British shipping company who owned the Titanic
Olympic-class liner	Olympic-class ocean liners were a trio of British ocean liners built by the Harland & Wolff shipyard for the White Star Line during the early 20th
Steerage	3rd class board
HMS Carpathia	The ship that came to rescue the survivors
1st Class	The passengers who had the most luxurious and expensive cabins and areas of the ship
Maiden voyage	The first voyage with passengers of a newly built ship.
timeline	The series of events in the order they happened
Significant	Sufficiently great or important
Cabin	A private room on a ship
Reliability	The quality of being trustworthy or performing consistently well



1. 29th July 1908 The design for the Titanic was approved.

3. January 1912 twenty wooden lifeboats were fitted on board the Titanic

5. 10th April 1912 9:30-11:30 a.m. Passengers arrived in Southampton and began boarding the ship

7. 10th April 1912 Titanic reached Cherbourg, France and picked up more passengers

## The Titanic Timeline

2. 31st May 1911 12 noon The hull of Titanic was successfully launched

4. 2nd April 1912 6:00 Titanic began sea trials

6. 10th April 1912 Noon The Titanic set sail and began her maiden voyage.

8. 14th April 1912 11:40 p.m. Lookout Frederick Fleet spotted an iceberg dead ahead. The iceberg struck the Titanic on the starboard (right) side of her bow