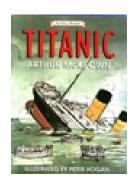
Titanic

Workbook

Arthur McKeown



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Some technical details

Number of words in *Titanic* 1,325 words

Unique words 437
Passive sentences 4%
Flesch Reading Ease 83%

Flesch-Kincaid Reading Level 3.8 (meaning the book is broadly suitable for readers aged 8-9 years old.)

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This is one of a series of workbooks to support my stories for newly independent readers about people, places and events in the north of Ireland.

A companion volume is in preparation to provide some of the educational and language principles on which the material is based.

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Introduction

This workbook accompanies *Titanic* by Arthur McKeown (Poolbeg, Dublin, 1997).

It provides a series of activities to support work on:

- Reading comprehension
- Grammar and vocabulary
- History.

That said, its primary purpose is to encourage extensive reading – and lots of it.

The story and these support activities are not constrained by the use of any one structural analysis of English or any one objective frequency count of the vocabulary of the language. Rather, the material draws on:

- Simple sentence structures, such as those introduced by Key Stage 2 (or equivalent)
- The vocabulary used in popular reading schemes.

The main objective is comprehension, so that students can read silently for meaning.

This material does not merely test reading comprehension; it aims to develop students reading skills and language knowledge.

These tasks and activities can encourage students:

- To think in a structured way about what they have been reading
- To develop fluency and accuracy in using a range of reading skills
- To develop knowledge of grammatical structures and vocabulary
- To discuss their ideas and opinions about the story.

The tasks and activities are for newly independent readers, including:

- Key Stage 2, or equivalent
- Students on adult literacy programmes
- Learners of English as a Foreign or Second Language.

Students can be trained to read for a range of different purposes:

- For interest and enjoyment
- To find out what a paragraph, page, chapter or book is likely to be about (skimming)
- To absorb information
- To find particular pieces of information (scanning)

This recognises two different kinds of reading:

• Extensive reading – Rapid reading for the general story, without too much attention to points of detail (as experienced readers read novels)

• Intensive reading – Reading in detail, with thorough responses to a range of stimuli which demonstrate comprehension and understanding of the meaning and language of what has been read. These responses can be factual or they can demonstrate thought and judgement (and sometimes an emotional response) about what has been read.

The material is presented in three sections:

- A series of activities to be done before the students start to read the book
- A series of chapter specific activities to build on what the students have read
- A series of activities to review and consolidate the whole book.

Individual teachers can of course select only some of the activities for use with particular pupils whom they teach.

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How to use these tasks and activities

Teachers should have no particular problem in using this material; and the tasks and activities can be used in a variety of different ways to suit the needs of different students.

Not evey type of activity is included in every chapter; but teachers can generate similar activities for their own students, as required.

Activity	Rationale and guidance
Remembering what you have read	These are simple questions to produce short answer questions based on the text.
True / False Multiple choice	There can be considerable benefit in discussing the options with students, especially if they have made any errors.
Cloze	These passages are taken from different sections of the story.
Complete these sentences	This is primarily a vocabulary activity.
Unscramble these words	This is primarily a spelling and vocabulary enhancement activity.
Meanings	This is primarily a vocabulary activity.
Making complete sentences	In this activity students can add the short, high frequency words (articles, prepaositions, verb forms, etc.) to make sense from the lexical items given.
Fill in the numbers	This type of activity encourages students to think systematically about how numbers, especially large numbers. are said and written.
Punctuation	This provides opportunities for students to practise the conventions of punctuation in English.
Draw a picture	This type of activity and encourage a non verbal response by students whose learning style is more visual than verbal. Consistency with the content of the story is to be commended.

Some other teaching ideas and points for consideration

Reading aloud	Is there any merit in reading aloud to the students?			
	Is there any merit in get	Is there any merit in getting the students to listen to recordings of parts of		
	the story?			
	Is there any merit in getting the students to read aloud in class?			
Student questions	Get students to create their own questions for other students to answer.			
Predictions	What do you think is going to happen in the next chapter?			
Constantinople	Here are some words chosen from the story.			
	How many smaller words can you make from each of them?			
	passenger wonderful comfortable			
	• newspaper	• frightened	• grandchildren	

Pre Reading Activities

These activities are to help the reader engage with the book and to develop an interest in reading the story.

Opening discussion

- What sort of things do you enjoy reading?
- What was the first thing you remember reading?
- Did you read it for yourself or did someone read it with you?
- What reasons do you have for reading now?

Looking at Titanic for the first time

Look at the book and try to find out:

- How many pages it has
- The title of the book
- What you can see in some of the pictures
- What does the back of the book tell us about the story?

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Chapter 1

Remembering what you have read

1	What was the weather like when the story	
	starts?	
2	Where was the <i>Titanic</i> built?	
3	Who was Mr Andrews?	
4	When did the <i>Titanic</i> set out for Southampton?	
5	In what month was the <i>Titanic</i> ready for sea?	

True / False

True	False	
		The <i>Titanic</i> was a very big ship.
		The Titanic moved quickly into Belfast Lough.
		Mr Andrews said the <i>Titanic</i> was a wonderful ship.
		Mr Andrews is very proud of the <i>Titanic</i> .

Multiple choice

The <i>Titanic</i> was a ship.	small	strong	slow
The <i>Titanic</i> had a special kennel for the captain's	dog	cat	fish
It took more than months to finish the <i>Titanic</i> .	two	nine	ten

Complete these sentences

Use one word to complete these sentences from the chapter.

inventions gym kennel pool radio

- 1 The *Titanic* had all the latest
- 2 She had a to talk to other ships.
- 3 There was a big swimming for the passengers and Turkish baths and a library and a barber's shop.
- 4 In the there was an electric horse to help passengers who wanted to get fit.
- 5 There was even a special for the Captain's dog!

Make words from th	e chapter from the	nese letters.			
ughe	huge				
Ibesatf			epagsenrs		
ioninevnt			Ikneen		
Meanings					
Find a word in the	chapter which r	means			
Making a noise with hands	n your		A place to read or boboks	orrow	
Very big			To put a new ship in	the sea	
A wooden house fo	r a dog				
Making complete	sentences				
Use small words to	make these into	o complete se	entences		
Titanic / move / slow water / Belfast Loug	_	The Titanic	moved slowly down into	o the water of Belfa	st Lough
Men / throw / caps /	/ high / air.				
Titanic / have / all / inventions.	latest				
Titanic / great engine					
Punctuation					
Write this paragrap	oh again with co	rrect punctua	tion.		
this ship cant sink s	aid mr andrews				
he built her for harla	and and wolff in I	belfast ·			
shes the best ship i	n the world				
a belfast ship is the and the best ship in		•			

Unscramble these words

Chapter 2

Remembering	what v	vou i	have	read
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1	What happened at Southampton?	
2	Where was Mary going?	
3	Who was Mary with?	
4	What was the name of the captain of the <i>Titanii</i> ?	
5	What were the crew carrying on board the <i>Titania</i> ?	

True / False

True	False	
		Only a few passengers got on the <i>Titanic</i> in Southampton.
		Mary and her parents had comfortable cabins.
		Captain Smith had been a sailor for more than 50 years.
		Mary and her parents carried boxes of meat on board the <i>Titanic</i> .

Cloze

a	b	С	d	e	f	g	h	i
and	board	comfortable	forward	her	Mary	parents	too	was

At Southampton lots of passengers got on board. There was a lot of noise. Everyone1
busy and very excited.
Mary was with 2 mother and father. She was very excited, 3 She was going to
visit her aunt4 uncle in New York. She was looking5 to seeing all her cousins.
"Hurry up,6!" said her mother. "We must go on7 and see our cabins."
Their cabins were8 There was a big room for her9 and a small room for her.

Fill in the numbers

tons of fresh meat	dinner plates	napkins
tons of potatoes	fresh eggs	

Making complete sentences		
Use small words to make these into	complet	te sentences
Mary / go / visit / aunt and uncle / cou New York.	sins /	
Mary / parents / comfortable / cabins / <i>Titanic</i> .	l	
Captain Smith / be / sailor / more than years.	า 40	
Captain Smith / be / bridge / Titanic.		
Punctuation		
Write this paragraph again with corre	ect punc	ctuation.
hello mary said captain smith		
this is the biggest ship in the whole world		
we must get ready for our passengers		
there are lots of rich and famous people		
this ship is better than the best hotel in europe or america		

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Draw a picture of the passengers (page 17)

Chapter 3

•				
Remembering what you have re	ad			
1 What was the weather like wh				
out for France?				
2 What happened in France?				
3 What could the passengers do	in the morning	ng?		
4 What could the passengers do	in the afterno	?noc		
5 What could the passengers do	in the evenin	.g?		
Times of the day				
Think about what the passengers	did at differen	t times	of the day.	
	Morning	1	Afternoon	Evening
Dancing				
Getting fit on the electric horse				
Having tea				
Listening to bright, cheerful music				
Sitting in deckchairs				
Swimming in the pool				
Walking around the ship				
Unscramble these sentences				
Make sentences from the chapter	from these wo	ords.		
at Southampton Titanic left the noo	n			
Water the ship great deep the move	ed into			
Passengers time wonderful journe had the a	y during the			
Evening in dancing music the was	there and			

Mary everything sat corner a watched and in

Making sentences

How many complete sentences can you make from this table?

When	the <i>Titanic</i>	left	Southampton	she went to	America
	the ship	sailed from	France		France
			Cork		Southampton
					Cork

Cloze

a	Ъ	С	d	е	f	g	h	i	j	k
afternoon	ballroom	bath	chairs	cheerful	evening	horse	or	others	walk	was

During the journey the passengers had a wonderful time.
In the morning they sat in deck1 in the sunshine or went for a2 around the
ship talking to each other.
Some even tried out the new electric5 for exercise to get fit.
In the6 everyone had tea in the Cafe Parisien7 in their cabins.
After dinner in the8there was music and dancing in the9 The band played a
sorts of bright, 10 music. The ladies wore beautiful dresses. Everyone 11 happ
and enjoyed themselves.
Punctuation
Write this paragraph again with correct punctuation.
then it was time for mary to
she was tired but very happy
in her cabin she said herprayers with her father
good night mary said her mother and father sleep tight

Chapter 4

Remembering	what	you	have	read
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1	What day of the week was it?	

- 3 What time did the *Titanic* hit the iceberg?
- 4 Was Mary's father in the lifeboat with his wife and daughter?
- 5 Who shouted "Don't worry!"
- 6 How long did it take the *Titanic* to sink?

Cloze

a	Ъ	С	d	е	f	g	h	i
colder	collided	just	lot	moon	sent	Smith	smooth	was

After	five	days	the	Titanic	was	hundreds	of	miles	from	land.	It was	the	evening	of	Sunday,
14th .	April	•													

The weather got 1 The Captain of another ship saw a 2 of b	oig icebergs
where he was. He3 a radio message about them to Captain4	-
The stars were out. There was no5 It was a fine, clear night. There _	6
very little wind. The sea was as 7 as glass.	
The <i>Titanic</i> hit an iceberg8 before midnight. The ship shook when she _	9

The *Titanic* hit an iceberg 8 before midnight. The ship shook when she 9 with the huge mountain of ice.

Making sentences

How many complete sentences can you make from this table?

After	the Titanic	hit	the Titanic	some	kept the lights going.
	the ship	collided with	the ship	people	came out of their cabins.
	the iceberg		the iceberg	the crew	

Unscramble these sentences		
Make sentences from the chapter	from these wo	rds.
<i>Titanic</i> the days land was mile hundreds from	s of five afte	er
Glass sea smooth was as as the		
Midnight just Titanic just the iceberg	g hit an before	
Mary tightly held hand on to mother	's her	
Mother Mary got lifeboat into and or	ne the of her	
Punctuation		
Write this paragraph again with co	rrect punctuat	ion.
come along mary said her mother		
we have to get off the ship		
but what about daddy asked mary		
we cant leave him		
he cant come said her mother sadly		

Draw a picture of Mary's father with Captain Smith and Mr Andrews (page 33)

Chapter 5

Rer	ne	mber	ing what	t you have	e read					
1	Н	How long did it take Mary and her								
	mo	other	to get to	New Yor	:k?					
2	Н	ow m	any men	from Har	land and					
	W	olff d	rowned	when the	Titanic					
	saı	nk?								
3	W	hat ha	appened	to Alfred						
	Cı	ınnin	gham?							
4	W	hat ha	appened	to Mary a	fter she					
	arı	rived	in Ameri	ca?						
_	,									
Tru	e /	False	e							
True	;	False								
			There	were lots	of lifeboats	on the <i>Tit</i>	anic for all	the passens	gers and c	rew.
			Mary n	ever saw	her father a	again.				
			All the	passenger	rs and crew	drowned	when the 7	<i>Titanic</i> sank.		
			Both C	Captain Sm	nith and Mi	r Andrews	died when	the Titanic	sank.	
Clo	ze									
	a		b	С	d	e	f	g	h	i
do	wn	n d	rowned	help	one	seen	seen	the	to	when
	•	never	saw her f	ather agair	n. He was o	one of the p	assengers v	vho1	when	the <i>Titania</i>
sank										
					with his sh	ip. He was	last3	helpin	g to put a	small child
				e lifeboats.		Tr.	1 77 1 1	. 1	_	
				owned	_5 the	e I <i>itanic</i> sai	ık. He had	tried to _	6	everyone -
	•	himse		theory	g deck chair	e ottor the e	ido of	Q obi-	so that so	oolo would
116	was	s iast _		— mnowiil	3 ucck chair	2 Over me 8	iuc 01	<u>о —</u> ѕшр,	, во шат ре	opie would

have something _____ help them float in the water.

Fill in the numbers

Number of people who died when the <i>Titanic</i> sank.
Number of people who were rescued when the <i>Titanic</i> sank.
Total number of passengers on the <i>Titanic</i> when she left Europe.

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ıu	IIULU	ialioi	,

Write this paragraph again with c	orrect punctuation.
a lot of people died when the	
<i>titanic</i> sank	
there had not been enough	
lifeboats to save all the	
passengers and crew who were	
on the ship	
some of the passengers and	
crew were able to get away	
they got into the lifeboats they	
were saved by other ships which	
came to help them	

Draw a picture of Mary meeting her aunt and uncle (page 38)

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Whole book activities

Many of these activities require students to skim or scan the whole story to find particular pieces of information to complete the different activities.

> These are intended to be 'open book' activities, not memory challenges!

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How much can you remember?

1	The <i>Titanic</i> was built in
2	Mary and her parents were going to
3	Captain was in charge of the ship.
4	The <i>Titanic</i> had dinner plates and napkins.
5	The <i>Titanic</i> hit an just before midnight.
6	Mary and her arrived in New York three days after the <i>Titanic</i> sank.
7	Mary's father when the Titanic went down into the cold water of the
	Atlantic.
8	Mary had grandchildren.

True / False

	True	False
The <i>Titanic</i> was built in Belfast.		
Mr Andrews was the captain of the <i>Titanic</i> .		
Mary was going to America with her cousins.		
Captain Smith had a small black beard.		
Mary felt like a princess when she watched the passengers enjoying		
themselves.		
The <i>Titanic</i> hit the iceberg during the middle of the night.		
Captain Smith ordered people to get into the lifeboats.		
Mary's father came to New York.		
Mary's aunt and uncle met her and her mother when they arrived in New York.		
Mary got married and had lots of grandchildren.		

Alphabetical order

Put the words from the story in each of the groups in alphabetical order.

The first one has been done for you.

1	drowned
5	roared
4	newspaper
3	lough
2	lifeboat

crew
library
music
gym
boxes

fresh
cabin
called
finished
swimming

teachers
dresses
band
comfortable
plates

radio
cabin
passengers
crew
lifeboats

captain
ship
iceberg
deck
crew

Verbs and adjectives

Verbs

hit		forgot	arrived	set out	held				
roared		held	sank	changed					
moved		got	saw	wore					
Page 7	The	Titanic	slowly dowr	n into the water o	f Belfast Lough.				
Page 11		<i>Titanic</i> 's great e	engines	as the hu	uge ship for				
Page 23	The	ladies	beautiful dre	esses.					
Page 28	The <i>Titanic</i> an iceberg just before midnight.								
Page 32	Mary on tightly to her mother's hand.								
Page 34	Mar	y and her mother	in	to one of the lifeb	poats.				
Page 38	Mar	y and her mother	in	New York three	days later.				
Page 40	Mary never her father again.								
Page 46		y neverher life		e night when the	Titanic and				

Adjectives

pest	COID	biggest	smootn
huge	wonderful	strongest	terrible
Page 8	Mr Andrews said: "A Belfast ship is the . whole world."	and the ar	nd the in the
Page 21	During the journey across the Atlantic the p	assengers had a tin	ne.
Page 27	The sea was as as glass.		
Page 28	The ship shook when she collided with the	mountain of ice.	
Page 37	After three hours the water covere	ed the ship.	
Page 46	Mary never forgot the night when	the <i>Titanic</i> sank and changed	her life for ever.

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Meanings

Here are the meanings of some words you will find in the story.

Write the word in a sentence you make up by yourself.

Page Meaning Word in a sentence 9 A house or shelter for a dog 9 Hot air or steam bath A room or building where you can go to read or borrow books 14 Hot air or steam bath 15 To give up regular work when you get old 16 People who work together on a ship 18 A piece of cloth (or paper) to protect your clothes when you are eating 21 A folding canvas chair for sitting in the sun 23 A large room where dances are held 26 A big mountain made of ice which floats in the sea 28 To hit 29 To shine in an unsteady way 31 A boat for rescuing people at danger at sea

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The floor of a ship

To die by being under water too long

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Making complete sentences

Use the words to make complete sentences.

Add extra small words.

Make any changes you need to talk about the past.

Man / throw / caps / high / air > Men threw their caps high in the air.

Page		
8	Mr Andrews / built / <i>Titanic</i> / Harland and Wolff.	
9	Gym / electric horse / help / passengers / want / get fit	
12	Southampton / lots of passengers / get on board / Titanic.	
13	Mary / look forward / see / all / cousins.	
15	Captain Smith / tall / have / big white beard.	
18	Mary / watch / men / carry / boxes / on board.	
19	Hundreds of people / stand / watch / ship / move slowly / sea.	
25	Cabin / Mary / say / prayers / father.	
36	Mary and her mother / watch / huge ship / sink / slowly /dark water.	
42	Mr Andrews / drown / the Titanic / sink.	

Adjectives

Use words from the story to complete this table.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
beautiful		most beautiful
big	bigger	
	brighter	brightest
cheerful		most cheerful
cold	colder	
	dark	dark
deep		deepest
fast	faster	
	finer	finer

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
good		
	greater	
happy		
		highest
		smallest
smooth		
		strongest

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Put these events in the correct order

Put these events in the order they happen in the story.

In the first column write the page number where you found the answer.

Page number	Order	Events in the story
8		The <i>Titanic</i> was built in Belfast.
		Mary's father died in the cold water of the Atlantic.
		Mary watched the crew as they carried lots of boxes full of food and other things onto the <i>Titanic</i> .
		Mr Andrews built the <i>Titanic</i> for Harland and Wolff.
		Captain Smith ordered people to get into the lifeboats.
		Mary got on the ship with her parents in Southampton.
		Mary's aunt and uncle met her and her mother when they arrived in New York.
		Mary got married and had lots of grandchildren.
		In the evenings Mary listened to the music and watched the dancing as the <i>Titanic</i> crossed the Atlantic.
		The <i>Titanic</i> hit the iceberg just before midnight.

Opposites

Write one word which means the **opposite** of each of these words

alive	
beautiful	
black	
comfortable	
father	
good	
happy	
huge	
new	
started	
strong	

bad	
dead	
mother	
old	
sad	
stopped	
tiny	
ugly	
uncomfortable	
weak	
white	

People in the story

What can remember about these people in the story?

- Mary
- Mr Andrews
- Captain Smith
- Mary's parents
- Mary's aunt and uncle

Thinking about the book – for general discussion

- What was the best part of the story?
- Who is your favourite person the in the story? Why do you like them?
- Did you like the ending of the book? Was there another ending you would have liked more?

Appreciation and activities

- Tell the story from the point of view of:
 - Mary
 - Mr Andrews
 - Captain Smith
 - Mary's mother

Talking about opinions and feelings

- How do you think:
 - Mr Andrews felt when he saw the *Titanic* in Belfast Lough?
 - Mary felt when she went into her cabin?
 - Captain Smith felt when the talked to Mary about the titanic?
 - The crew felt when they heard the *Titanic* hit the iceberg?
 - Mary felt when she arrived in New York?
- Should Mary's father have tried to stay with his wife and daughter?
- Why do you think so many people are still so interested in the *Titania*?

People and Places in Titanic

n	e	w	У	0	r	k	b	k	j	1	t	s	a	n	a	Alfred Cunningham
i	m	У	t	У	f	а	С	f	0	d	1	W	p	1	g	-
m	h	r	1	У	z	r	m	u	е	b	k	e	f	t	b	Belfast
h	t	i	m	s	n	i	а	t	p	а	С	r	x	j	p	Contain Smith
t	r	Z	С	g	j	0	s	n	j	Z	e	d	z	g	q	Captain Smith
1	z	0	i	v	q	a	t	g	C	d	m	n	u	t	h	France
j	i	r	У	g	f	0	u	p	C	e	1	a	k	h	е	Transc
x	р	d	n	1	m	0	t	u	m	k	р	r	u	j	v	Mary
W	t	n	e	r	t	b	n	b	x	а	t	m	e	m	m	
p	У	b	d	k	n	n	i	t	i	s	h	b	u	a	r	Mr Andrews
0	i	s	У	У	i	x	i	1	p	q	b	t	v	r	b	New York
m	b	i	j	n	q	z	u	i	t	t	k	C	u	У	v	INGW TOIK
n	i	u	g	w	g	r	j	g	z	а	У	У	x	0	q	Southampton
g	d	h	j	i	e	h	С	q	z	e	z	u	g	f	s	·
s	a	0	m	e	У	s	u	d	p	g	v	n	n	0	x	
m	m	z	r	w	n	1	У	x	z	s	r	j	a	u	b	

Family Words in Titanic

b	m	g	0	t	b	t	n	r	z	i	е	z	v	Z	aunt
r	е	h	t	а	f	b	b	i	f	d	р	C	t	f	
g	n	m	j	a	t	i	р	h	x	h	е	0	р	m	child
е	r	g	t	i	x	а	d	а	u	n	t	u	У	р	aavaina
W	е	а	C	h	r	0	f	У	С	j	i	s	g	m	cousins
0	b	n	n	e	v	1	s	r	С	W	f	i	е	g	father
g	r	а	n	d	C	h	i	1	d	r	е	n	1	k	
W	s	t	1	t	m	g	p	x	b	p	r	s	C	1	grandchildren
m	s	i	0	1	1	0	q	Z	x	1	x	0	n	j	
q	h	x	d	x	b	r	t	m	f	u	1	0	u	р	grandmother
C	a	У	s	n	m	j	e	h	n	w	x	0	q	v	mother
q	z	р	i	C	s	i	m	h	e	u	n	s	m	0	mounci
d	j	j	z	r	0	d	s	h	t	r	d	1	s	m	parents
У	b	g	е	C	b	e	У	u	k	0	У	f	i	u	•
У	С	k	u	r	Z	n	i	p	u	v	m	n	u	d	uncle

Nouns, verbs and adjectives

This page contains words from the story.

Nouns are the names of people, places
Verbs are doing
Adjectives describe
or things
words
nouns.

Put a tick in the box beside each word.

	Nouns	Adjectives
band		
beautiful		
best		
bigger		
black		
bright		
cabin		
cheerful		

	Nouns	Adjectives
cold		
comfortable		
crew		
deck		
deep		
fresh		
happy		
high		

	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives
huge			
library			
lifeboat			
new			
newspapers			
ordered			
passengers			
roared			

	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives
screamed			
shouted			
smooth			
stronger			
tall			
threw			
white			
worked			

Nouns

This page contains words for:

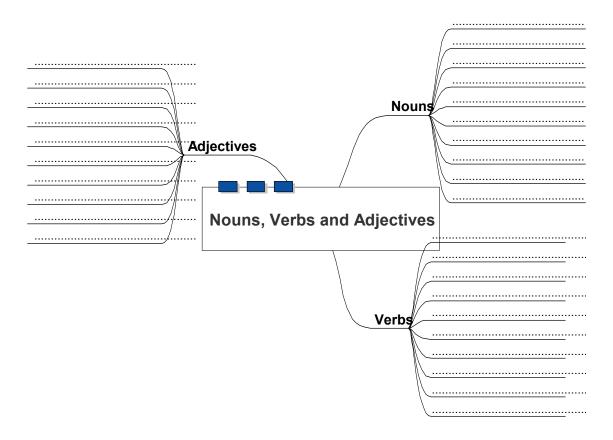
- People
- Places
- Time

Put a tick in one box beside each word.

	Time	People	Places
afternoon			
America			
Belfast			
Captain Smith			
day			
Europe			
evening			
Mary			

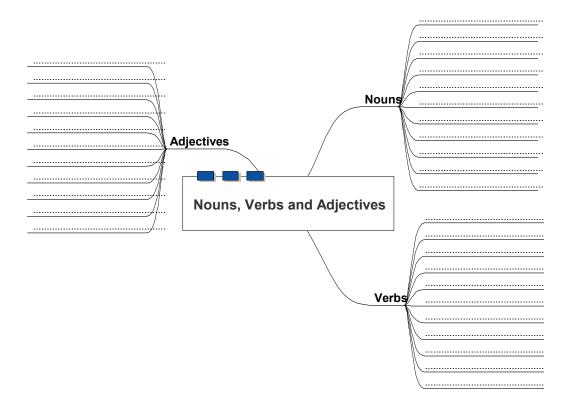
	Time	People	Places
midnight			
months			
Mr Andrews			
New York			
night			
noon			
o'clock			
Southampton			

Nouns, verbs and adjectives 1



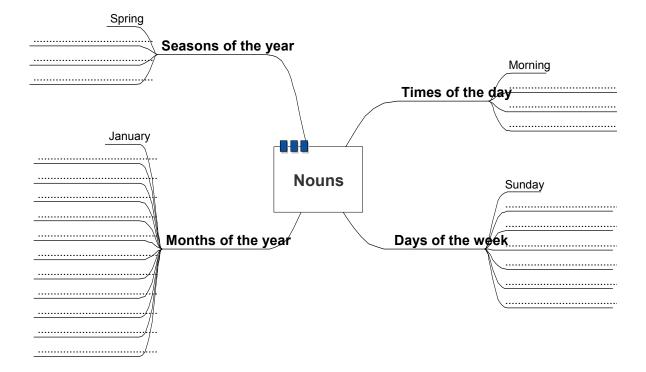
beautiful	deep	moved
big	drowned	people
bright	excited	played
chair	fast	rescued
cheerful	father	said
cold	fine	sank
come	held	ship
crew	lifeboat	shouted
dark	men	watched
deck	morning	water

Nouns, verbs and adjectives 2



arrived	great	small
aunt	happy	smooth
bath	high	stayed
carried	huge	strong
cheerful	iceberg	teacher
clapped	kept	wonderful
covered	leave	worked
engine	lough	
enjoyed	mountain	
evening	pool	
frightened	radio	
good	rushed	
grandchild	screamed	

Mind map for some TIME nouns



Put the correct words for each type of noun on the mindmap.

Make sure you:

- Put them in the correct order
- Spell them correctly.

afternoon	April	August
autumn	December	evening
February	Friday	January
July	June	March
May	Monday	morning
night	November	October
Saturday	September	spring
summer	Sunday	Thursday
Tuesday	Wednesday	winter

Key to tasks and activities

Chapter 1

Remembering what you have read

1 What was the weather like when the story starts?

Sunny morning

2 Where was the *Titanic* built?

Belfast

3 Who was Mr Andrews?

The designer, builder of the Titanic

4 When did the *Titanic* set out for Southampton?

One morning at the beginning of April, 1912

5 In what month was the *Titanic* ready for sea?

April

True / False

True	False	
V		The <i>Titanic</i> was a very big ship.
	V	The <i>Titanic</i> moved quickly into Belfast Lough.
V		Mr Andrews said the <i>Titanic</i> was a wonderful ship.
V		Mr Andrews is very proud of the <i>Titanic</i> .

Multiple choice

The <i>Titanic</i> was a ship.	small	strong	slow
The <i>Titanic</i> had a special kennel for the captain's	dog	cat	fish
It took more than months to finish the <i>Titanic</i> .	two	nine	ten

Complete these sentences

Use one word to complete these sentences from the chapter:

inventions gym kennel pool radio

- 1 The *Titanic* had all the latest **inventions**.
- 2 She had a **radio** to talk to other ships.
- 3 There was a big swimming **pool** for the passengers and Turkish baths and a library and a barber's shop.
- 4 In the **gym** there was an electric horse to help passengers who wanted to get fit.
- 5 There was even a special **kennel** for the Captain's dog!

Unscramble these words

Make words from the chapter from these letters.

ughe huge

lbesatf Belfast epagsenrs passengers

ioninevnt invention Ikneen kennel

Meanings

Find a word in the chapter which means

Making a noise with your hands clapping A place to read or library

borrow books

Very big huge To put a new ship in To launch

the sea

A wooden house for a dog kennel

Making complete sentences

Use small words to make these into complete sentences

Titanic / move / slowly / down / The Titanic moved slowly down into the water of Belfast Lough.

water / Belfast Lough.

Men / throw / caps / high / air. (The) men threw their caps high in(to) the air.

Titanic / have / all / latest The Titanic had all the latest inventions.

inventions.

Titanic / great engines / roar / huge The Titanic's great engines roared as the great ship set out for Southampton. ship / set out / Southampton.

Punctuation

Write this paragraph again with correct punctuation.

this ship can't sink said mr andrews "This ship can't sink," said Mr Andrews.

he built her for harland and wolff in belfast

He built her for Harland and Wolff.

shes the best ship in the world

She's the best ship in the world.

a belfast ship is the biggest and the strongest A Belfast ship is the biggest and the strongest and the best ship

and the best ship in the whole world in the whole world.

Remembering what you have read

1 What happened at Southampton?

Lots of passengers came on board.

2 Where was Mary going?

To America

3 Who was Mary with?

Her parents

4 What was the name of the captain of the *Titanic*?

Captain Smith

5 What were the crew carrying on board the *Titania*?

Boxes

True / False

True	False	
	V	Only a few passengers got on the <i>Titanic</i> in Southampton.
V		Mary and her parents had comfortable cabins.
	V	Captain Smith had been a sailor for more than 50 years.
	$\sqrt{}$	Mary and her parents carried boxes of meat on board the <i>Titanic</i> .

Cloze

	a	b	С	d	е	f	g	h	i
a	ınd	board	comfortable	forward	her	Mary	parents	too	was
	4	7	8	5	2	6	9	3	1

At Southampton lots of passengers got on board. There was a lot of noise. Everyone1
busy and very excited.
Mary was with mother and father. She was very excited, 3 She was going to
visit her aunt4 uncle in New York. She was looking5 to seeing all her cousins.
"Hurry up,6!" said her mother. "We must go on7 and see our cabins."
Their cabins were 8. There was a big room for her 9 and a small room for her.

Fill in the numbers

35	tons of fresh meat	12,000	dinner plates	45,000	napkins
40	tons of potatoes	35,000	fresh eggs		

Making complete sentences

Use small words to make these into complete sentences

Mary / go / visit / aunt and uncle / cousins / New Mary was going to visit her aunt and uncle and cousins in

York. New York.

Mary / parents / comfortable / cabins / Titanic. Mary and her parents had comfortable cabins on the Titanic.

Captain Smith / be / sailor / more than 40 years. Captain Smith had been a sailor for more than 40 years.

Captain Smith / be / bridge / Titanic. Captain Smith was on the bridge of the Titanic.

Punctuation

Write this paragraph again with correct punctuation.

hello mary said captain smith "Hello, Mary," said Captain Smith.

this is the biggest ship in the whole world "This is the biggest ship in the whole world."

we must get ready for our passengers "We must get ready for our passengers.

there are lots of rich and famous people "There are lots of rich and famous people."

this ship is better than the best hotel in europe or "This ship is better than the best hotel in Europe or

america America."

Remembering what you have read

1 What was the weather like when the *Titanic* set out for France?

Bright and clear

2 What happened in France?

More passengers came on board

3 What could the passengers do in the morning?

(See page 21)

4 What could the passengers do in the afternoon?

Had tea

5 What could the passengers do in the evening?

(See page 23)

Times of the day

Think about what the passengers did at different times of the day

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Dancing			V
Getting fit on the electric horse	V		
Having tea		V	
Listening to bright, cheerful music			V
Sitting in deckchairs	V		
Swimming in the pool	V		
Walking around the ship	V		

Unscramble these sentences

Make sentences from the chapter from these words.

at Southampton Titanic left the noon

The Titanic left Southampton at noon.

Water the ship great deep the moved into

The great ship moved into the deep water.

Passengers time wonderful journey during the had the a

During the journey the passengers had a wonderful time.

Evening in dancing music the was there and

After dinner in the evening there was music and dancing.

Mary everything sat corner a watched and in

Mary sat in a corner and watched everything.

Making sentences

How many complete sentences can you make from this table?

When	the <i>Titanic</i>	left	Southampton	she went to	America
	the ship	sailed from	France		France
			Cork		Southampton
					Cork

Cloze

a	b	С	d	е	f	g	h	i	j	k
afternoon	ballroom	bath	chairs	cheerful	evening	horse	or	others	walk	was
6	9	4	1	10	8	5	7	3	2	11

During the journey the passengers had a wonderful time.								
In the morning they sat in deck1 in the sunshine or went for a2 around	n the morning they sat in deck1 in the sunshine or went for a2 around the							
ship talking to each other.								
used the swimming pool or the Turkish 4								
Some even tried out the new electric5 for exercise to get fit.								
In the6 everyone had tea in the Cafe Parisien 7 in their cabins.								
After dinner in the8 there was music and dancing in the9 The band play	ed all							
sorts of bright,nusic. The ladies wore beautiful dresses. Everyone11h	арру							
and enjoyed themselves.								
Punctuation								
Write this paragraph again with correct punctuation.								
then it was time for mary to go to bed Then it was time for Mary to go to	bed.							
she was tired but very happy She was tired but very h	арру.							
in her cabin she said her prayers with her father In her cabin she said her prayers with her t	ather.							
good night mary said her mother and father sleep tight god "Good night, Mary," said her mother and to bless "Sleep tight! God to bless"								

Remembering what you have read

1 What day of the week was it?

Sunday

2 Where was the weather like?

Cold; a fine, clear night; very little wind

3 What time did the *Titanic* hit the iceberg?

Just before midnight

4 Was Mary's father in the lifeboat with his wife and daughter?

No

5 Who shouted "Don't worry!"

Captain Smith

6 How long did it take the *Titanic* to sink?

Three hours

7 Where did the other ships take the people from the lifeboats?

New York

Cloze

a	b	С	d	е	f	g	h	i
colder	collided	just	lot	moon	sent	Smith	smooth	was
1	9	8	2	5	3	4	7	6

After five days the Thank was numbered of miles from land. It was the evening of Sunday, 14th
April.
The weather got The Captain of another ship saw a 2 of big icebergs where
he was. He3 a radio message about them to Captain4
The stars were out. There was no5 It was a fine, clear night. There6 very little
wind. The sea was as7as glass.
The <i>Titanic</i> hit an iceberg8 before midnight. The ship shook when she9 with
the huge mountain of ice.

Making sentences

How many complete sentences can you make from this table?

After	the Titanic	hit	the Titanic	some people	kept the lights going.
	the ship	collided with	the ship	the crew	came out of their cabins.
	the iceberg		the iceberg		

Unscramble these sentences

Make sentences from the chapter from these words.

Titanic the days land was miles of five after hundreds After five days the Titanic was hundreds of miles from land. from

Glass sea smooth was as as the The sea was as smooth as glass.

Midnight just Titanic just the iceberg hit an before The Titanic hit an iceberg just before midnight.

Mary tightly held hand on to mother's her Mary held on tightly to her mother's hand

Mother Mary got lifeboat into and one the of her Mary and her mother got into one of the lifeboats.

Punctuation

Write this paragraph again with correct punctuation.

come along mary said her mother "Come along, Mary," said her mother.

we have to get off the ship "We have to get off the ship."

but what about daddy asked mary we can't leave him "But what about Daddy?" asked Mary. "We can't leave him."

he can't come said her mother sadly.

"He can't come," said her mother sadly.

Remembering what you have read

1 How long did it take Mary and her mother to get to New York?

3 days

2 How many men from Harland and Wolff drowned when the *Titanic* sank?

7

3 What happened to Alfred Cunningham?

He was rescued and taken to New York.

4 What happened to Mary after she arrived in America?

She got married. She became a mother and then a grandmother.

True / False

True	False	
	V	There were lots of lifeboats on the <i>Titanic</i> for all the passengers and
		crew.
V		Mary never saw her father again.
	V	All the passengers and crew drowned when the <i>Titanic</i> sank.
V		Both Captain Smith and Mr Andrews died when the <i>Titanic</i> sank.

Cloze

a	b duorran ad	c help	d	e	f	g	h	1
down	drowned	neip	one	seen	seen	the	to	when

Mary never saw her father again. He was one of the passengers who1 when the Titanic
sank.
Captain Smith went with his ship. He was last 3 helping to put a small child
into4 of the lifeboats.
Mr Andrews also drowned5 the <i>Titanic</i> sank. He had tried to6 everyone -
except himself.
He was last7throwing deck chairs over the side of8 ship, so that people would
have something 9 help them float in the water.

Fill in the numbers

1,489	Number of people who died when the <i>Titanic</i> sank.
712	Number of people who were rescued when the <i>Titanic</i> sank.
2,201	Total number of passengers on the <i>Titanic</i> when she left Europe.

Punctuation

Write this paragraph again with correct punctuation.

a lot of people died when the titanic sank

there had not been enough lifeboats to save all the passengers and crew who were on the ship

some of the passengers and crew were able to get away

they got into the lifeboats they were saved by other ships which came to help them

A lot of people died when the *Titanic* sank.

There had not been enough lifeboats to save all the passengers and crew who were on the ship.

Some of the passengers and crew were able to get away.

They got into the lifeboats. They were saved by other ships which came to help them.

How much can you remember?

- 1 The *Titanic* was built in **Belfast.**
- 2 Mary and her parents were going to America
- 3 Captain **Smith** was in charge of the ship.
- 4 The *Titanic* had **12,000** dinner plates and **45,000** napkins.
- 5 The *Titanic* hit an **iceberg** just before midnight.
- 6 Mary and her **mother** arrived in New York three days after the *Titanic* sank.
- 7 Mary's father **drowned** when the *Titanie* went down into the cold water of the Atlantic.
- 8 Mary had **lots of** grandchildren.

True / False

	True	False
The <i>Titanic</i> was built in Belfast.	V	
Mr Andrews was the captain of the <i>Titanic</i> .		V
Mary was going to America with her cousins.		V
Captain Smith had a small black beard.		V
Mary felt like a princess when she watched the passengers enjoying themselves.	V	
The <i>Titanic</i> hit the iceberg during the middle of the night.		V
Captain Smith ordered people to get into the lifeboats.	V	
Mary's father came to New York.		V
Mary's aunt and uncle met her and her mother when they arrived in New York.	V	
Mary got married and had lots of grandchildren.	V	

Alphabetical order

Put the words from the story in each of the groups in alphabetical order.

The first one has been done for you.

1	drowned
5	roared
4	newspaper
3	lough
2	lifeboat

2	crew
4	library
5	music
3	gym
1	boxes

4	fresh
1	cabin
2	called
3	finished
5	swimming

5	teachers
3	dresses
1	band
2	comfortable
4	plates

5	radio
1	cabin
4	passengers
2	crew
3	lifeboats

1	captain
5	ship
4	iceberg
3	deck
2	crew

Verbs and adjectives

Verbs

hit	forgot	arrived	set out	held		
roared	held	sank	changed			
moved	got	saw	wore			
Page 7	The Titanic moved slow	vly down into the wa	iter of Belfast Lough.			
Page 11	The Titanic's great engines roared as the huge ship set out for Southampton.					
Page 23	The ladies wore beautiful dresses.					
Page 28	The Titanic hit an iceberg just before midnight.					
Page 32	Mary held on tightly to her mother's hand.					
Page 34	Mary and her mother got into one of the lifeboats.					
Page 38	Mary and her mother arrived in New York three days later.					
Page 40	Mary never saw her fat	her again.				
Page 46	Mary never forgot the t	errible night when the	ne <i>Titanic</i> sank and o	changed her life for ev	er.	

Adjectives

best	cold	biggest	smooth		
huge	wonderful	strongest	terrible		
Page 8	Mr Andrews said: "A Belfast ship is the biggest and the strongest and the best in the whole world."				
Page 21	During the journey across the Atlantic the passengers had a wonderful time.				
Page 27	The sea was as smooth as glass.				
Page 28	The ship shook when she collided with the huge mountain of ice.				
Page 37	After three hours the cold water covered the ship.				
Page 46	Mary never forgot the terrible night when the <i>Tit</i>	anic sank and changed her life f	for ever.		

Meanings

Here are the meanings of some words you will find in the story.

Write the word in a sentence you make up by yourself.

Page	Meaning	Word in a sentence
9	A house or shelter for a dog	
9	Hot air or steam bath	
9	A room or building where you can go to read or borrow books	
14	Hot air or steam bath	
15	To give up regular work when you get old	
16	People who work together on a ship	
18	A piece of cloth (or paper) to protect your clothes when you are eating	
21	A folding canvas chair for sitting in the sun	
23	A large room where dances are held	
26	A big mountain made of ice which floats in the sea	
28	To hit	
29	To shine in an unsteady way	
31	A boat for rescuing people at danger at sea	
32	The floor of a ship	
44	To die by being under water too long	

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Making complete sentences

Use the words to make complete sentences.

Add extra small words.

Make any changes you need to talk about the past.

Man / throw / caps / high / air

Men threw their caps high in the air.

Page		
8	Mr Andrews / built / <i>Titanic</i> / Harland and Wolff.	Mr Andrews built the Titanic for Harland and Wolff.
9	Gym / electric horse / help passengers / want / get fit	In the gym the electric horse helped passengers who wanted to get fit.
12	Southampton / lots of passengers / get on board / <i>Titanic</i> .	In Southampton lots of passengers got on board.
13	Mary / look forward / see / all / cousins.	Mary was looking forward to seeing all her cousins.
15	Captain Smith / tall / have / big white beard.	Captain Smith as tall and had a big white beard.
18	Mary / watch / men / carry / boxes / on board.	Mary watched as men carryied the boxes on board.
19	Hundreds of people / stand / watch / ship / move slowly / sea.	Hundreds of people stood and watched the ship move slowly out to sea.
25	Cabin / Mary / say / prayers / father.	In her cabin Mary said her prayers with her father.
36	Mary and her mother / watch / huge ship / sink / slowly /dark water.	Mary and her mother watched as thehuge ship sank slowly into the dark water.
42	Mr Andrews / drown / the <i>Titanic</i> / sink.	Mr Andrews drowned when the Titanic sank.

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Adjectives

Use words from the story to complete this table.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
beautiful	more beautiful	most beautiful
big	bigger	biggest
bright	brighter	brightest
cheerful	more cheerful	most cheerful
cold	colder	coldest
dark	dark	dark
deep	deeper	deepest
fast	faster	fastest
fine	finer	finer

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
good	better	best
great	greater	greatest
happy	happier	happiest
high	higher	highest
small	smaller	smallest
smooth	smoother	smoothest
strong	stronger	strongest

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Put these events in the correct order

Put these events in the order they happen in the story.

In the first column write the page number where you found the answer.

Page number	Order	Events in the story
8	1	The <i>Titanic</i> was built in Belfast.
40	9	Mary's father died in the cold water of the Atlantic.
18	4	Mary watched the crew as they carried lots of boxes full of food and other things onto the <i>Titanic</i> .
8	2	Mr Andrews built the <i>Titanic</i> for Harland and Wolff.
30	7	Captain Smith ordered people to get into the lifeboats.
13	3	Mary got on the ship with her parents in Southampton.
38	8	Mary's aunt and uncle met her and her mother when they arrived in New York.
45		Mary got married and had lots of grandchildren.
23	5	In the evenings Mary listened to the music and watched the dancing as the <i>Titanic</i> crossed the Atlantic.
28	6	The <i>Titanic</i> hit the iceberg just before midnight.

Opposites

Write one word which means the *opposite* of each of these words

alive	dead
beautiful	ugly
black	white
comfortable	uncomfortable
father	mother
good	bad
happy	sad
huge	tiny
new	old
started	stopped
strong	weak

good	bad
alive	dead
father	mother
new	old
happy	sad
started	stopped
huge	tiny
beautiful	ugly
comfortable	uncomfortable
strong	weak
black	white

People and Places in Titanic

N E W Y O R K + + + + + S + + A + + + + + F + + + + + + W + L + + + + + + + R + + + + E F + + HTIMSNIATPACR+++ + + + + + + + O S N + + E D + + + + + + + + + A T + C D + N + + + + + + + F + + P C E + A + + + + + + L + + + U M + + R + + + + + + E + + + N + + A + M + M + + + + + + I + + + + + T + R + + + + + N + + + + + + + U Y + + + H + + + + + + + + + + S

Family Words in Titanic

+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
R	Ε	Н	Т	Α	F	+	+	+	+	+	+	С	+	+
G	+	+	+	+	+	+	Ρ	+	+	+	+	0	+	+
+	R	+	+	+	+	Α	+	Α	U	Ν	Τ	U	+	+
+	+	Α	+	+	R	+	+	+	+	+	+	S	+	+
+	+	+	Ν	Ε	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	Ι	Ε	+
G	R	Α	Ν	D	С	Н	I	L	D	R	Ε	Ν	L	+
+	+	Т	L	+	Μ	+	+	+	+	+	+	S	С	+
+	S	Ι	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	Ν	+
+	Н	+	+	+	+	R	Т	+	+	+	+	+	U	+
С	+	+	+	+	+	+	Ε	Η	+	+	+	+	+	+
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Nouns, verbs and adjectives

This page contains words from the story.

Nouns Verbs Adjectives

are the names of people, places or things are doing words describe nouns.

Put a tick in the box beside each word.

	Nouns	Adjectives
band	√	
beautiful		√
best		√
bigger		√
black		√
bright		
cabin	√	
cheerful		√

	Nouns	Adjectives
cold		√
comfortable		V
crew	√	
deck	√	
deep		√
fresh		√
happy		√
high		√

	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives
huge			√
library	√		
lifeboat	√		
new			√
newspapers	√		
ordered		V	
passengers	√		
roared		V	

	Nouns	Verbs	Adjectives
screamed		V	
shouted		V	
smooth			V
stronger			V
tall			V
threw		V	
white			V
worked		V	

Nouns

This page contains words for:

- People
- Places
- Time

Put a tick in one box beside each word.

	Time	People	Places
afternoon	V		
America			\checkmark
Belfast			√
Captain Smith		V	
day	V		
Europe			√
evening	V		
Mary		V	

	Time	People	Places
midnight	√		
months	V		
Mr Andrews		V	
New York			√
night	V		
noon	V		
o'clock	V		
Southampton			V