Titanic

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Vocabulary

Epic: heroic; majestic; impressively great.

Liner:a large luxurious passenger ship of a type formerly used on a regular line.

subpoena:the usual writ for the summoning of witnesses or the submission of evidence, as records or documents,before a court or other deliberative body.

Shipwreck:the destruction of a ship at sea by sinking or breaking up, e.g., in a storm or after running aground.

Intersperse: scatter among or between other things; place here and there.

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Interesting facts about the Titanic

- **RMS *Titanic*** was a British passenger **liner** that sank in the North Atlantic Ocean in the early hours of 15 April 1912, after colliding with an iceberg during its maiden voyage from Southampton to New York City.

- There were an estimated 2,224 passengers and crew aboard, and more than 1,500 died, making it one of the deadliest commercial peacetime maritime disasters in modern history.

- RMS *Titanic* was the largest ship afloat at the time it entered service and was the second of three *Olympic*-class ocean liners operated by the White Star Line. It was built by the Harland and Wolff shipyard in Belfast. Thomas Andrews, her architect, died in the disaster.

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