



WHY DID THE
TITANIC SINK?

Topic: Why did the Titanic Sink?

Goal: I will be able to develop questions about the case study.

Do Now: Read and Annotate the Titanic Reading Silently (ten minutes)

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The Titanic

■ What do we know about the Titanic?

- The Titanic was built between 1909 and 1911.
- It was 882 feet (269 metres) in length and 175 feet (53 metres) in height.
- The Titanic had a crew of around 900 people.
- The Titanic's engines were powered by pressurized steam from burning coal.
- It was a luxury passenger liner that carried some of the world's richest people as well as others looking for a new life in North America.
- The Titanic's intended course was from Southampton, England to New York City, USA.
- It left Southampton on April 10, 1912 and stopped at destinations in France and Ireland before heading west towards New York.
- It collided with an iceberg and sank on April 15, 1912.
- While the Titanic carried over 2200 people, there were only enough life boats for around 1200 of them.
- Over 1500 people died because of the sinking.
- The remains of the Titanic wreck sit on the sea bed over 12400 feet (3780 metres) beneath the surface.

National Geographic- Why did the titanic sink?

- While the clip is on, you should write down as many questions about why the titanic sank as possible.
- The group with the most questions will get a dojo point.

Discuss

- With your group discuss your questions with your group
 - *Explain why you wrote the question*
 - *Why is it interesting?*
 - *Why might it be important to understanding WHY the Titanic sunk?*

Choose two questions per group for the class to answer

- These will be the questions that our class tries to answer throughout the unit

Exit Slip

- Write a paragraph with your prediction as to why the Titanic Sunk