



# HISTORY BITES

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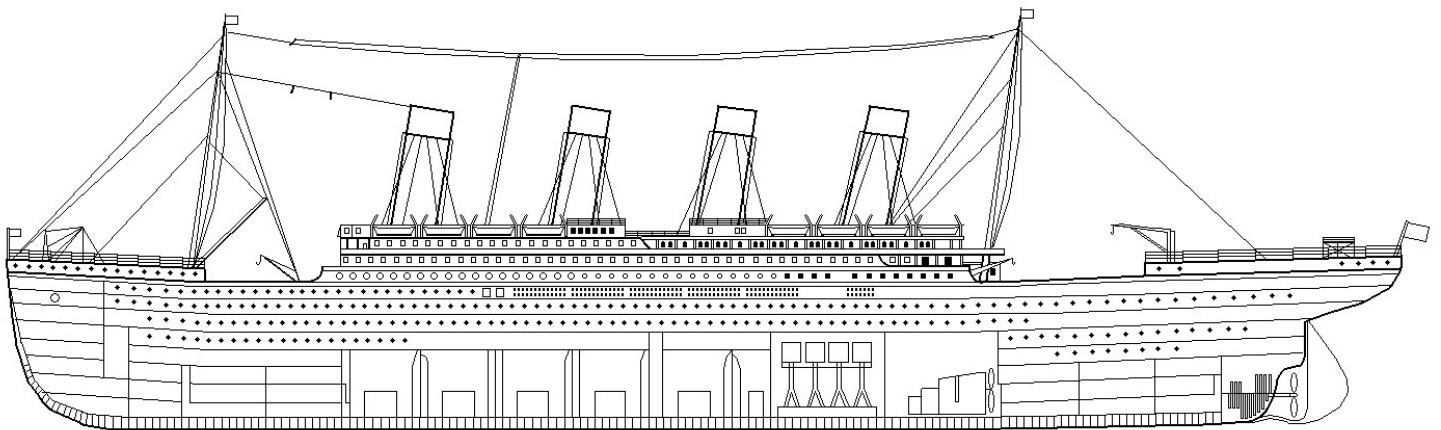
### TITANIC, BEFORE THE ICEBERG

*The Titanic was at the forefront of maritime technology, it really was the “Ship of Dreams”.  
She was:*

The first ship to have bulkheads running along her length with watertight doors, which could be operated electrically from her bridge.

One of the first to have Marconi wireless sets, a totally new technology. the biggest moving object ever built at that time.

she was 269 metres (882.5 ft) long and 28.2 metres (92ft 5ins) wide. the length of four Boeing 747 Jumbo Jets!



### This huge ship was luxurious:

First Class passengers had the most splendidly decorated rooms and facilities surpassing most first-class hotels at the time.

Second Class was more sumptuous than second class hotels on land.

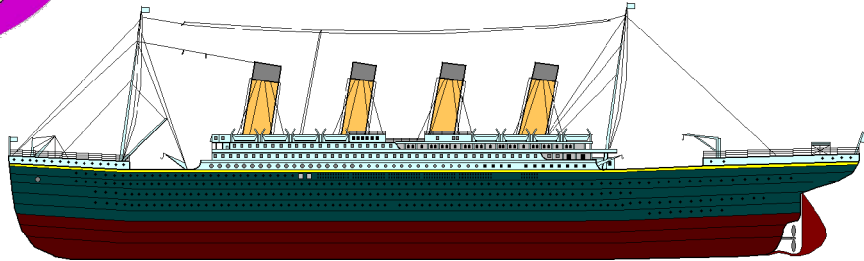
Third Class was obviously more basic, but was still a huge improvement on third class travel accommodation on other ships, for example, regular and healthy meals were provided, while the décor was attractive, yet simple, in the large communal spaces.



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Then on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1912, as it set out for New York, there were problems. A coal fire had begun in one of her coal bunkers! The crew weren't worried, as this was not unusual on large steamers, though, of course, in the end it added to the problems.

Then, as she left Southampton Dock she nearly collided with *The New York!*

Was the journey doomed?

Well, after that everything appeared to be going well. She made two brief stops, one at Cherbourg, then to Queenstown, in southern Ireland, before setting off across the Atlantic Ocean.

The biggest and safest ship ever, what could go wrong?

If you want to enjoy the story of the Titanic, we have a musical for you

*THE SHIP OF DREAMS - The Voyage of the RMS Titanic.*

It tells the story of the mighty Titanic, one the largest moving objects ever built, that sets sail on her maiden voyage. The passengers revel in her luxury, while waiting ahead in the dark, an unavoidable disaster looms.

You can download this 50-minute show at

<https://eml.coolski.co.uk/show/the-ship-of-dreams-2/>

supplied ready to perform by 15 to 100 children with script, (including stage directions) historical Fact Sheets, Art Pack showing how to make the scenery, costumes, and props along with 24 MP3 files, being both performance and rehearsal tracks.

**Enjoy our shows, as history matters!**

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## 2 lesson

(1 to make and cover, another to paint and write)

### CLASSROOM ACTIVITY

## CAPTAINS LOG



Create your own Leather Captains Log by sticking two pieces of cardboard together, then using watered down PVA Glue to stick kitchen roll to the front and back covers. Allow to dry then paint brown.

The White Star logo can be printed from a computer or drawn onto paper and glued on. Interior pages can be held in place with a piece of cord or a large elastic band. What would Captain Smith have written in his log?