

R.M.S. Titanic
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Part I

How much time elapses from the beginning of this section until the end? Write out ALL of the clues that tell you this. Include days, dates and times.

What is the Fastnet Light?

The Titanic was triple-screwed. What does that mean?

See page 134. Write out EVERY geographic reference or location that is mentioned.

Who is the captain of the Titanic?

How many warnings of icebergs were ignored? Write out word-for-word each one.

Where is the land of promise?

Write out the words to the hymn that was being sung? Who was leading the music?

Part II

What was the ghastly thing?

What was the monster?

If you make a hard-a-starboard, what are you doing?

Why do you suppose no lifeboat drills were ever held on the ship?

Identify the locations of the following:

Bow –

Port –

Stern –

Aft –

Starboard –

What is the fo’c’sle?

What were the rockets?

What is ragtime music?

Identify, in order, all the ships that were part of this story.

What is “Autumn” referred to in this section?

What is CQD?

How many peeps made it to the lifeboats? How many were still on board?

Section III

Captain Rostron was the captain of which ship?

What significant information do you get about the *Californian* from this section?

Define/explain the following:

Foundered

Perfunctory

Feebly

Gunwale

Staunched

What two things did the men in the collapsible boat do?

Did the Titanic's blue sparks still dance? Write the complete sentence that answers this.

Section IV

When did the world finally learn the truth about what happened?

Who was P.A.S. Franklin? What was significant about him in this story?

How many survivors were there?

What is a *maiden* voyage?

What were the remains of the ship?

Define/Explain the following:

Garbled

Shunted

Cunarder

Stevedores

Bollards

How far from shore did the Titanic sink?

The reference to Monday evening is how much later than the complete sinking of the ship?

Section V

What are *recriminations*?

Who was J. Bruce Ismay? I.e. what was his role or position in the story? Who two points of view did peeps have about him?

The Senate is mentioned a few times. What is the *Senate*?

Who was the chairman of the Senate investigation committee? What criticisms did this person face?

Define/Explain:

Vainly

Tersely

Denounced

Hastily

Pertinent

Farcical

Falls

Give 2 specific examples that illustrated Smith's so-called ignorance. Write them word for word.

How many passengers needlessly lost their lives because of the life boat situation?

What 5 reasons were given for why the entire life boat system did not work?

1)

2)

3)

4)

5)

What conclusion was drawn about the captain of the Titanic?

What conclusions were drawn about the *Californian*? Present the FULL picture.

Write a minimum 10-sentence response to any one or more aspects of this story. You can include things such as the following:

How would you have reacted if you were on the ship?

What would you have done in lines 387 – 395?

How would you have felt if you were the sleeping operator of the *Californian*?

These are just a very few examples. You may use other things from the story?