



Titanic Knowledge Organiser

Enquiry Question: How was life onboard the Titanic and the disaster affected by class and social attitudes?

History Focus

Year 4

Key Concept: Society

Autumn 2

What should I already know?

- George V reigned between 1910-1936. (Y1)
- Society is made up of a social hierarchy depending on wealth, occupation, education and subculture. (Y2)
- Historians analyse primary and secondary sources to determine conclusions about an event or time period. (Y2)
- The Titans were descendants of the Greek gods, Uranus (heaven) and Gaea (earth). (Y3)



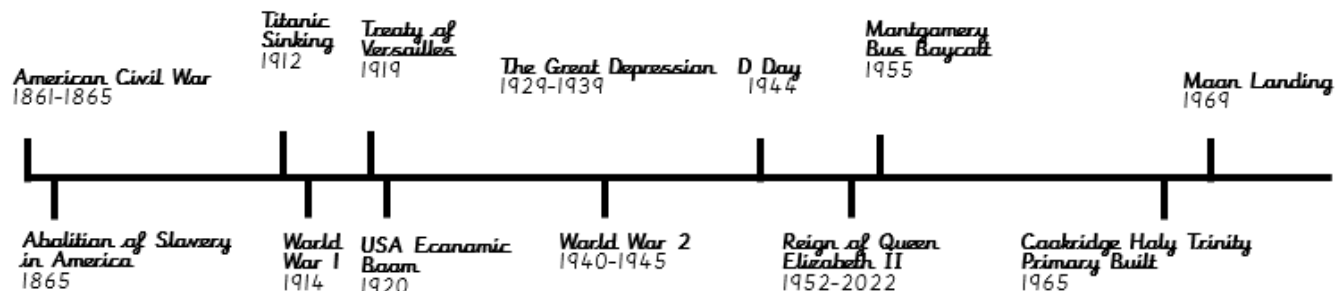
Key Information learnt by the End of the Topic

- R.M.S Titanic was built by the White Star Line and was the world's largest passenger liner at the time.
- J. Bruce Ismay owned White Star Line and therefore was the owner of the Titanic.
- The maiden voyage began on 10th April 1912. The Titanic sailed from Southampton, heading for New York City.
- E.J Smith was the Captain of the ship on its maiden voyage.
- There were three classes of people on board the RMS Titanic. First, second and third class. In 1912, there were large differences in social classes and the way that people were treated. This was clear in the rescue efforts for the passengers on the Titanic where only 24% of 3rd class passengers survived in comparison to 61% of 1st class passengers.
- 14th April 1912— The Titanic collided with an iceberg in the Atlantic Ocean.
- 15th April 1912—The Titanic sank, killing 1506 passengers and crew. 705 people survived.
- 1985—The wreck of the Titanic was discovered at the bottom of the ocean.
- A first-class ticket (£300, 000 in today's' money) cost more than a crew member could earn in 18 years.
- The disaster led to laws ensuring that enough lifeboats were to be carried for all aboard, regardless of how 'unsinkable' the designers thought the ship was.

Key Vocabulary

Definition

Titanic	A word derived from a character in Greek mythology meaning gigantic
R.M.S	Royal Mail Ship
shipyard	A place where ships are built and repaired
maiden voyage	The first journey of a ship
transatlantic	Crossing the Atlantic Ocean
disaster	A sudden accident that causes great damage/death
iceberg	A large floating mass of ice
lifeboat	A specially constructed boat to rescue people in distress at sea
unsinkable	Cannot be sunk
survivor	A person who survives
collides	Something which hits/crashes violently against another object or person.
wreckage	The remains of something that has been badly damaged or destroyed



Thomas Andrews

architect



Edward Smith

captain



Bruce Ismay

Owner of White Star Line