

History Knowledge Organiser Year 2
The RMS Titanic

What was the Titanic?

Why did people travel on the Titanic?

What was life like on board the Titanic?

Why did it sink? What sources of evidence are there?

What changes did it lead to?

Need to know

- **The Titanic was a British passenger liner that sank in the North Atlantic Ocean in 1912** (after striking an iceberg during her maiden voyage from Southampton to New York City).
- **It was the biggest ship at the time and considered to be the most luxurious.**
- **Life onboard depended on who you were and how much money you had.**

Vocabulary

sources - give you information

decade - period of 10 years

century - period of 100 years

passenger liner - large ship that carries passengers (people)

luxurious - very comfortable and expensive

RMS - Royal Mail Ship

Good to know

- Many people died. Of the estimated 2,224 passengers and crew aboard, more than 1,500 died.
- People were travelling for lots of different reasons including businessmen, holidaymakers and a lot of families were travelling to make a better life for themselves in America.
- Many people said it was unsinkable.
- There were not enough lifeboats.

- **Sequence** events, photos and artefacts into chronological order for different periods of time.
- **Use** a wide range of sources and ask and answer a range of questions.
- **Compare** photographs of people and past events to **identify** differences in ways of life.
- **Identify** different ways in which the past is represented.
- **Recognise** and **understand** the actions of people and why events happened, developing empathy.