

### Key concepts:

- To investigate and interpret the past,
- To build an overview of world history
- To understand chronology
- To communicate historically.

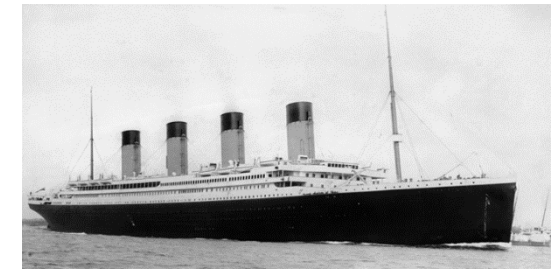
# The Sinking of the Titanic

Civilisation

Innovation

## Key Knowledge

- RMS Titanic was built by the White Star Line shipping company in Belfast.
- Construction of the Titanic began on 31<sup>st</sup> March 1909 and took over three years to complete.
- Titanic was the world's largest passenger liner at the time measuring 269 metres in length and weighing 52,310 tons and was believed to be 'unsinkable'.
- The Titanic's maiden voyage began on 10<sup>th</sup> April 1912 in Southampton.
- Passengers on board the Titanic were from three different classes (first, second and third) and their experiences on board differed.
- Passengers from different classes travelled for varying reasons. Some wealthier passengers travelled to holiday while many poorer passengers were emigrating.
- The Titanic sank on 15<sup>th</sup> April 1912 after hitting an iceberg in the North Atlantic Ocean.
- 1506 known people died on board the Titanic.
- Even though the Titanic could carry 60 lifeboats, there were only 20 lifeboats on board.
- The Titanic rests at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean over 2 miles below the surface of the water.



## Key Vocabulary

<b>Maiden Voyage</b>	The first journey of a ship
<b>Liner</b>	A large, luxurious passenger ship used on a regular route (line)
<b>Passenger</b>	A person who is travelling on a mode of transport other than the driver
<b>Emigrate</b>	To permanently move to a different country
<b>Iceberg</b>	Ice that has broken off from glaciers and is floating in open water
<b>Lifeboat</b>	A small boat kept on a ship to be used in an emergency

