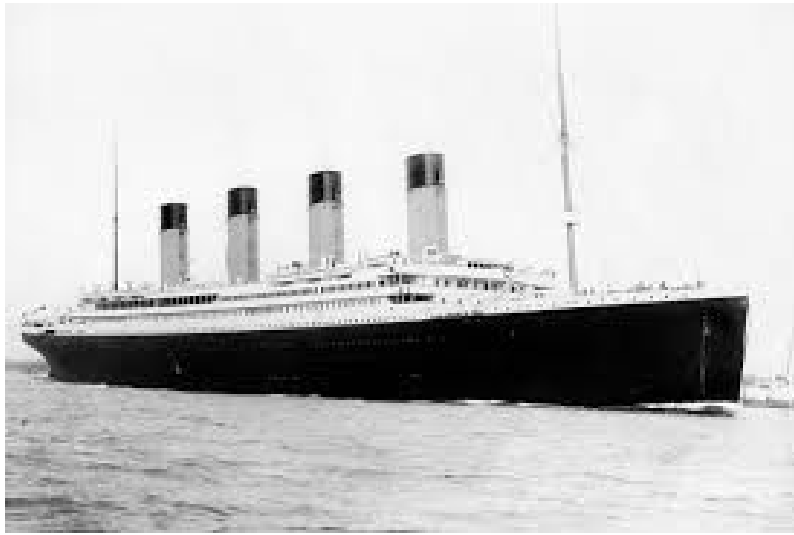


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TITANIC SINKS - 1,500 lose their lives



The largest passenger steam ship sinks with 2,223 people on board on its first voyage.

**ONLY 705 survived
OVER 1,500 people
died.**

Interview by Evelyn Brown with a surviving crew member.

At around 11:40pm on Sunday 14th April one of the people on look out on the Titanic shouted "iceberg". The Titanic was heading towards an enormous iceberg. They tried to steer round it but it hit it on the right hand side. There was a massive crash when it hit and the ship

shook. Everything went quiet and then the screams started. "I felt really scared and did not know what to do." At around 11:50pm water was pouring in and rising at extreme speeds at the front of the ship. It went pitch black and everyone was running around and screaming.



At about Midnight the captain was told that the ship could only stay a float for a couple more hours. He gave an order to call for help over the radio. At about 12:05am "I was given the job to uncover the lifeboats" the passengers and crew were getting ready on the deck. There was only enough room on the lifeboats for half the passengers. The ladies and children got on first. Everyone was scared and pushing and shoving each other. It was freezing cold. At around 12:45am the first lifeboat was lowered into the water. It left not even half full. The first of eight distress rockets were fired because we really needed help. At 2:05am the last lifeboat was lowered into the water. Over

1,500 people were still left on the ship. "I was so scared because there were no lifeboats left and I was cold and getting wet and did not know whether help was coming." The Titanic's deck was getting steep at the rear end of the ship and suddenly it broke off. The remaining ship levelled out for a moment before slowly filling with more water. The water pulled the ship back and I managed to grab onto a pole and a couple others did as well and then the ship started to go underwater. I managed to grab a life jacket and stood on the ship. Lots of people were stranded in the icy water and would not be able to be saved. At about 8:50am a ship called the Carpathia came and rescued us and took us to New York City. Only 705 passengers and crew on board were saved. It was really scary, the scariest time of my life. I didn't think I would survive.