



The Story of the Titanic

Read the story of the Titanic and complete the gaps:-

The Titanic was one of the most famous ships in history. When it was
1. _____ in 1912, it was the biggest moving object ever built. She was
885 feet long and weighed 46,000 tons. She could carry 3,295 people on board
including 2. _____ and crew.

The Titanic had ten 3. _____ – seven for the passengers and three for
the crew and cargo only. The passengers were divided into three classes. First
class provided luxury accommodation in very comfortable 4. _____.
The first-class passengers also had access to a dining-room, a restaurant, a
lounge, a reading and writing room, a smoking room and various cafes.
The ship also included a swimming-pool, a Turkish bath, squash courts and a
gym. In fact it was a kind of 5. _____ palace!

The Titanic's first voyage began on April 10th 1912 when she set off from
Southampton in England on her journey to New York. But it wasn't long before
6. _____ struck. The Titanic hit an 7. _____ on April 14th at
11.40p.m. The huge hull was damaged and the ship rapidly began to take in
water. The Titanic had twenty wooden 8. _____ but these were not
enough. Out of 2200 people on board only 705 survived. The people were
rescued from the lifeboats by another ship, the Carpathia, which picked up the
Titanic's S.O.S. message.

The Titanic finally 9. _____ in the early hours of April 15th, 1912. The
10. _____ of the ship still lies at the bottom of the ocean. Many
objects have been rescued from the wreck but the ship itself still lies at the
bottom of the sea. Perhaps one day scientists will recover it. Who knows if the
Titanic will return...

decks *launched* *wreck* *passengers* *cabins*
floating *sank* *disaster* *iceberg* *lifeboats*