

Titanic

School Session Overview October 2025

Key information

Length of session: 3.5 hours with a 30-minute lunch break

Key Stage: KS2

Location(s) of session: Lecture Theatre, Galleries (Baltic Glass, Sea Things, All Hands)

Learning objectives	Curriculum links
Learners will:	KS2 Literacy and History
Investigate real objects and archival documents relating to the Titanic Immerse themselves as real characters from the ship and meet an historical actor character along the way Develop their imagination and literacy skills	a study of an aspect of history or a site dating from a period beyond 1066 that is significant in the locality discussing and recording ideas

Key words

travel, ship, class, immigrate

Overview of the session

The different elements of the day are outlined below. Please see the timetable on your booking confirmation for specific timings and the order of activities.

Introduction

Learners are introduced to the story of *RMS Titanic*, and the Titanic Watch in the Museum's collection. They meet the character actor of Edith Rosenbaum, a survivor of the Titanic disaster.

Archives and observation of Titanic Watch.

Learners visit the Sea Things and Baltic Glass galleries to see real objects and archival material from the Titanic, guided by a facilitator.

High Tea with Edith

Through roleplay with the character actor, learners find out about what life was like on the liner for passengers with first-, second- and third-class tickets, comparing their meals and activities. They use what they have found out to write short telegrams to loved ones.

Self-Guided: All Hands on deck exploration

Learners explore the interactive exhibits in the All hands gallery, practice how to send Telegrams and have some self-guided exploration of the National Maritime Museum.

Conclusion/Plenary

Learners discuss the sinking of the Titanic, Edith's story and have a chance to ask their own questions.



Suggested pre visit knowledge/ activities	Suggested post visit activities
Read 'Rescuing Titanic' by Flora Delargy which tells the story of the ship Carpathia. Learners will see original photographs taken from this ship in the Archive section of the session.	Learners could use what they have learned in the session to write their own account, telegram or poem set on <i>Titanic</i> .

Links to useful resources

Stories from the Sea: Shipwrecks | Royal Museums Greenwich

Sea Things gallery at the National Maritime Museum

<u>Titanic and Pop culture | Royal Museums Greenwich</u>

<u>Titanic Facts | Royal Museums Greenwich</u>