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Lesson 7: The Loss of the Titanic
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You are welcome for the developing four skills reading, listening, writing and speaking lectures, I hope you get full benefit of them as well as our lectures. Each lesson consists of a passage taken from your textbook, explanation of the meanings of a number of words as they used in the passage.

After we have read the passage, let us do the comprehension questions:

- 1-Where was the Titanic sailing?
 - The Titanic was sailing in the North Atlantic.
- 2- What was seen by a look-out?
 - An iceberg was seen by a look-out.
- 3-When did the ship turn sharply?
 - The ship turned sharply after the alarm had been given.
- 4- Did it sail alongside the iceberg, or did it collide with it?
 - It sailed alongside the iceberg.
- 5- What was heard from below?
 - A slight trembling sound was heard from below.
- 6- What did the captain do?
 - The captain went down to see what had happened.
- 7- What did he find?
 - He found that the ship was sinking rapidly.
- 8- When did everyone jump overboard?
 - Everyone jumped overboard when the order to abandon ship was given.
- 9- Why were 1500 people drowned?
 - 1500 people were drowned because there were not enough lifeboats for everybody.

After doing all the comprehension questions, it is the time to explain the vocabulary, and give another word or phrase to replace the following words.

- 1- Colossal(adj) – **huge , immense**
- 2- Ever(adv.) – **at any time**
- 3- Compartment(n.) – **part , cabin**
- 4- Flooded(v.) – **inundate**
- 5- Float(v.) – **stay on the surface of a liquid**
- 6- Voyage(n.) – **a long journey on a ship**
- 7- Narrowly(adj.) – **only by a small amount**
- 8- Abandon(v.) – **leave.**

Composition :

When the Titanic was sailing in the North Atlantic, an iceberg was seen by a look-out. After the alarm had been given, the ship turned sharply sailing alongside the iceberg. A slight sound was heard from below, and the captain went down to see what had happened finding that the ship was sinking quickly. When the order to abandon ship was given, everyone jumped overboard, 1500 people were drowned, there were not enough lifeboats for everybody.

Exercise :

- 1- He studied physics at university. He is a **physicist.**
- 2- He works in a mine. He is a **miner.**
- 3- Pasteur did a great service to **humanity.**
- 4- He is trying to make a good **impression.**
- 5- His paintings have been admired for their **origin.**

Thank you