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Level 0 – 10th April, 2021

Titanic postcard could sell for \$15,000 at auction

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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A postcard from the Titanic could sell for \$15,000. It was written by a ship worker, Jack Phillips. He wrote it to his sister. The postcard has photos of the Titanic on one side. On the address side there is a postmark from a post office in Belfast. The card is one of many things from the Titanic for sale in the auction.

The Titanic was built in 1912. Its builders said it could not sink. It sailed for the first time on April the 10th, 1912. It hit an iceberg five days later and sank. More than 1,500 passengers died. Mr Phillips escaped. He waited to be rescued, but he died from the cold. He was 25 years old. The story of the Titanic was made into a movie.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. A postcard | a. on one side |
| 2. It was written | b. his sister |
| 3. He wrote it to | c. the auction |
| 4. photos of the Titanic | d. from the Titanic |
| 5. On the address | e. from a post office |
| 6. there is a postmark | f. many things |
| 7. The card is one of | g. by a ship worker |
| 8. for sale in | h. side |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. The Titanic was built | a. five days later |
| 2. it could not | b. the cold |
| 3. It sailed for | c. 1,500 passengers died |
| 4. It hit an iceberg | d. sink |
| 5. More than | e. made into a movie |
| 6. He waited to be | f. in 1912 |
| 7. he died from | g. rescued |
| 8. he story of the Titanic was | h. the first time |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A (1) _____ Titanic could sell for \$15,000. It was written (2) _____ worker, Jack Phillips. He wrote it (3) _____. The postcard has photos of the Titanic (4) _____. On the address side there is a postmark (5) _____ office in Belfast. The card is one of many things from the Titanic (6) _____ the auction.

The Titanic was built in 1912. Its builders said it (7) _____. It sailed for the (8) _____ April the 10th, 1912. It hit an iceberg five days (9) _____. More than 1,500 passengers died. Mr Phillips escaped. He waited (10) _____, but he died (11) _____. He was 25 years old. The story of the Titanic (12) _____ a movie.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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worker,JackPhillips.Hewroteittohissister.Thepostcardhasphotosoft
heTitanicononeside.Ontheaddresssidethereisapostmarkfromapost
officeinBelfast.ThecardisoneofmanythingsfromtheTitanicforsaleint
heauction.TheTitanicwasbuiltin1912.Itsbuilderssaiditcouldnotsink.
ItsailedforthefirsttimeonAprilthe10th,1912.Ithitanicebergfivedaysl
aterandsank.Morethan1,500passengersdied.MrPhillipsescaped.He
waitedtoberescued,buthediedfromthecold.Hewas25yearsold.Thest
oryoftheTitanicwasmadeintoamovie.

POSTCARDS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about postcards in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

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Write about **postcards** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.
