

## THE TITANIC WEB TREK

### A. DIRECTIONS

You've all probably heard about the Titanic, a luxury cruise ship that sunk tragically in the North Atlantic Ocean in April, 1912. Use the website below to read more facts about this tragic ship and learn what happened that night, then answer the questions below. Use this web site only.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORER: THE TITANIC

<http://magma.nationalgeographic.com/ngexplorer/0411/articles/mainarticle.html>

### B. STUDENT QUESTIONS

#### Part I

1. How big was the Titanic?
2. What kind of features made the ship luxurious?
3. Where did the crew and poor passengers live while aboard the ship?
4. On what date and at what time did the Titanic get into trouble?
5. What is an iceberg?
6. What part of the ship rose in the air as it was sinking?
7. Why did sailors on a passing ship not help the passengers aboard the Titanic?
8. How many people were left aboard the ship after all the lifeboats had left?
9. How many miles did the Titanic sink to the ocean floor?
10. How long did the Titanic lay on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean before being discovered?

#### Part II

1. Who is Robert Ballard?
2. Why did people think it was impossible to find the Titanic?
3. What was the name of the underwater craft Ballard sent down into the Atlantic Ocean and what did it do?
4. What were the first objects that Ballard's team found?
5. What part of the ship was stuck in the mud?
6. What other kinds of objects did Ballard and his team find?
7. If you were part of this team exploring the sunken Titanic, what would you like to look for?