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**LEVEL ONE**

**Example 1**

- how could such a big ship be sunk by an iceberg
- how many people died

**Example 2**

- Why did the Titanic sink?
- Why did The Empress sink?
- What date was it when the titanic was first built?
- What date was it when the Empress sank?

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## LEVEL TWO

### Example 1

- How did the collision happen
- Which ship was at fault
- What happened to the passengers after the collision
- Where were the ships going
- Why did the collision happen
- Was anyone seriously hurt

### Example 2

- When did the Empress sink?
- Where did the Empress sink?
- Why did the Empress sink?
- How many people died?
- How many people lived?
- What is a storstak?

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### LEVEL THREE

#### Example 1

- How long was he Empress of Ireland?
- How did the ship sink?
- How many passengers and crew drowned or died?
- Where was it heading to?
- Why was the sinking of the ship Canada's worst Maritime Disaster?
- How many survivors were there?

#### Example 2

- What was the name of the ship?
- Where did it happen?
- Whos falt was it
- What caused the collision
- When did it happen
- Why did it happen the way it did

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### LEVEL FOUR

#### Example 1

- What is the Empress?
- What happened to the Empress?
- Where did the collision take place?
- How did this accident affect Canada?
- How many died?
- What are some specifics to do with the boat? (ie. length, number of passengers)
- how does this differ from the Titanic?

#### Example 2

- How many people died in the shipwreck?
- What caused the ship to sink?
- Where did the disaster take place?
- Was there anyone that could be blamed for the disaster?
- When did this happen?
- Could this happen still today, or has technology greatly improved to give warning signals?

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