What would have happened if only two of the sixteen water-tight compartments had been flooded?

The great ship, Titanic, sailed for New York from Southampton on April 10th, 1912.

She was carrying 1,316 passengers and a crew of 891.

Even by modern standards, the 46,000-ton Titanic was a colossal ship.

At that time, however, she was not only the largest ship that had ever been built, but was regarded as unsinkable, for she had sixteen watertight compartments.

Even if two of these were flooded, she would still be able to float.

The tragic sinking of this great liner will always be remembered, for she went down on her first voyage with heavy loss of life.

Four days after setting out, while the Titanic was sailing across the icy waters of the North Atlantic, a huge iceberg was suddenly spotted by a lookout.

After the alarm had been given, the great ship turned sharply to avoid a direct collision.

The Titanic turned just in time, narrowly missing the immense wall of ice which rose over 100 feet out of the water beside her.

Suddenly, there was a slight trembling sound from below, and the captain went down to see what had happened.

The noise had been so faint that no one thought that the ship had been damaged.

Below, the captain realized to his horror that the Titanic was sinking rapidly, for five of her sixteen watertight compartments had already been flooded!

The order to abandon ship was given, and hundreds of people plunged into the icy water.

As there were not enough lifeboats for everybody, 1,500 lives were lost.

The Titanic was sailing across the icy waters of the North Atlantic when an iceberg was spotted by a lookout.

After the alarm was given, the ship turned sharply and sailed alongside it.

Suddenly, a faint noise was heard from below, so the captain went down to investigate, only to find that five of the sixteen compartments had been flooded.

On hearing the order to abandon ship, people jumped overboard, but 1,500 drowned because there were not enough lifeboats.

The Titanic began to sink, slowly at first.

The order to abandon ship was unexpected, SO passengers and crew were completely unprepared.

It was the middle of the night.

Some people were asleep in their cabins.

Others were on deck, admiring the brilliant night sky and the giant icebergs rising above them.

Others were eating and dancing in the wonderful ballrooms on the ship.

The immediate effect was panic and confusion.

People began rushing in all directions, wondering what to do next.

The cold was indescribable, and many passengers were still in their night clothes.

Members of the crew came up from below and began to lower the lifeboats.

It was a case of women and children first, but it soon became obvious that there weren't enough lifeboats for everyone, SO people jumped overboard into the freezing water in order to save their lives.

Some of those swimming in the water struggled to get into the lifeboats, but most of them were already full.

The Titanic sank rapidly, carrying many people down with it.

There were cries of despair from people in the water as they watched the lifeboats moving away and were left to drown in the icy ocean.

He works hard.

He is a hard worker.

He has a responsible position.

He has a lot of responsibility.

He plays the violin.

He is a violinist.

He is very careless.

I have never seen such carelessness.

Can you explain this?

Can you give me an explanation?

He studied physics at university.

He is a physicist.

He works in a mine.

He is a miner.

Pasteur did a great service to humanity.

He is trying to make a good impression.

His paintings have been admired for their originality.

When the Titanic set out from Southampton, she was sailing on her maiden voyage.

What happened once the iceberg had been spotted? The Titanic quickly changed her course.

The Titanic sank because she had been badly damaged by an iceberg.

On board her were 1316 passengers and a crew of 891.

No one thought she could possibly sink, for she had sixteen watertight compartments.

She had been sailing four days when a huge iceberg was suddenly spotted.

The great ship veered sharply to avoid a direct collision.

The captain went down to investigate.

There was not enough room in the lifeboats for everybody.