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**Instructions:** Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. Why was the *Titanic* called "The Unsinkable Ship"?
  - (A) It was a boat so big that it could not sink.
  - (B) It was made of unsinkable material.
  - (C) It had watertight doors to prevent sinking.
  - (D) It had floatation tubes all around the outside.
  
2. What is an **artifact**?
  - (A) a sunken ship
  - (B) a discovered object
  - (C) special equipment for diving
  - (D) something that causes ships to sink
  
3. How many people died when the *Titanic* sank?
  - (A) 200
  - (B) 25
  - (C) 5,000
  - (D) 1,500
  
4. The author of this book believes \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) the *Titanic* should be brought to the surface and put in a museum
  - (B) the *Titanic* needs to be protected for the sake of history
  - (C) everyone has a right to have a piece of the *Titanic*
  - (D) the *Titanic* is valuable because it had gold on it
  
5. A **submersible** is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) a small ship designed to go deep in water
  - (B) a type of ship that carried lots of people
  - (C) a time when something difficult happens
  - (D) a place to go to study ocean life

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6. How did Robert Ballard and his team know they had found the *Titanic*?
- Ⓐ They knew exactly where it had sunk.
  - Ⓑ The name of the ship was still visible on the hull.
  - Ⓒ They compared what they saw underwater to old photographs of the ship.
  - Ⓓ They didn't really know until they sent Alvin down to inspect the ship.
7. How did Robert Ballard and his team probably feel when they returned in 1986 to study the *Titanic*?
- Ⓐ surprised and disappointed
  - Ⓑ excited and determined
  - Ⓒ angry and confused
  - Ⓓ sad and puzzled
8. How did Robert Ballard discover exactly where the *Titanic* had sunk?
- Ⓐ He used maps from the captain of the ship.
  - Ⓑ He swam to the bottom of the ocean.
  - Ⓒ He sent a Navy submarine to find the ship.
  - Ⓓ He used sonar equipment.
9. Why did Robert Ballard and his team have to leave the *Titanic* shortly after they discovered it?
- Ⓐ Winter was coming, and the sea would be too dangerous.
  - Ⓑ He wanted to hide the location from other people.
  - Ⓒ He needed to get more money to dive to the ship.
  - Ⓓ All of the above

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**10.** Why did Robert Ballard and his team hold a memorial service after they found the *Titanic's* remains?

- Ⓐ They wanted to celebrate finding the sunken ship.
- Ⓑ They felt sad about the many people who had died when the ship sunk.
- Ⓒ They decided it would be a good way to let the world know where the ship was located.
- Ⓓ They brought up many parts of the sunken ship and wanted to remember them.

**11. Extended Response:** Explain why Robert Ballard did not want treasure hunters to go to the site of the shipwrecked *Titanic*.

**12. Extended Response:** What are two things people have learned from the sinking of the *Titanic*?