

Lesson title: Why was the Titanic significant to Southampton?

Objectives:

To make inferences from individual experiences about why the Titanic was significant to Southampton.

To reach a well explained judgement on why the Titanic was significant to Southampton.

Brain dump

1. What do you already know about Titanic?
2. Add to your notes using the video

Titanic



Similarity spotters!

When we last saw

‘Significant’

what did it mean?

what was the context?

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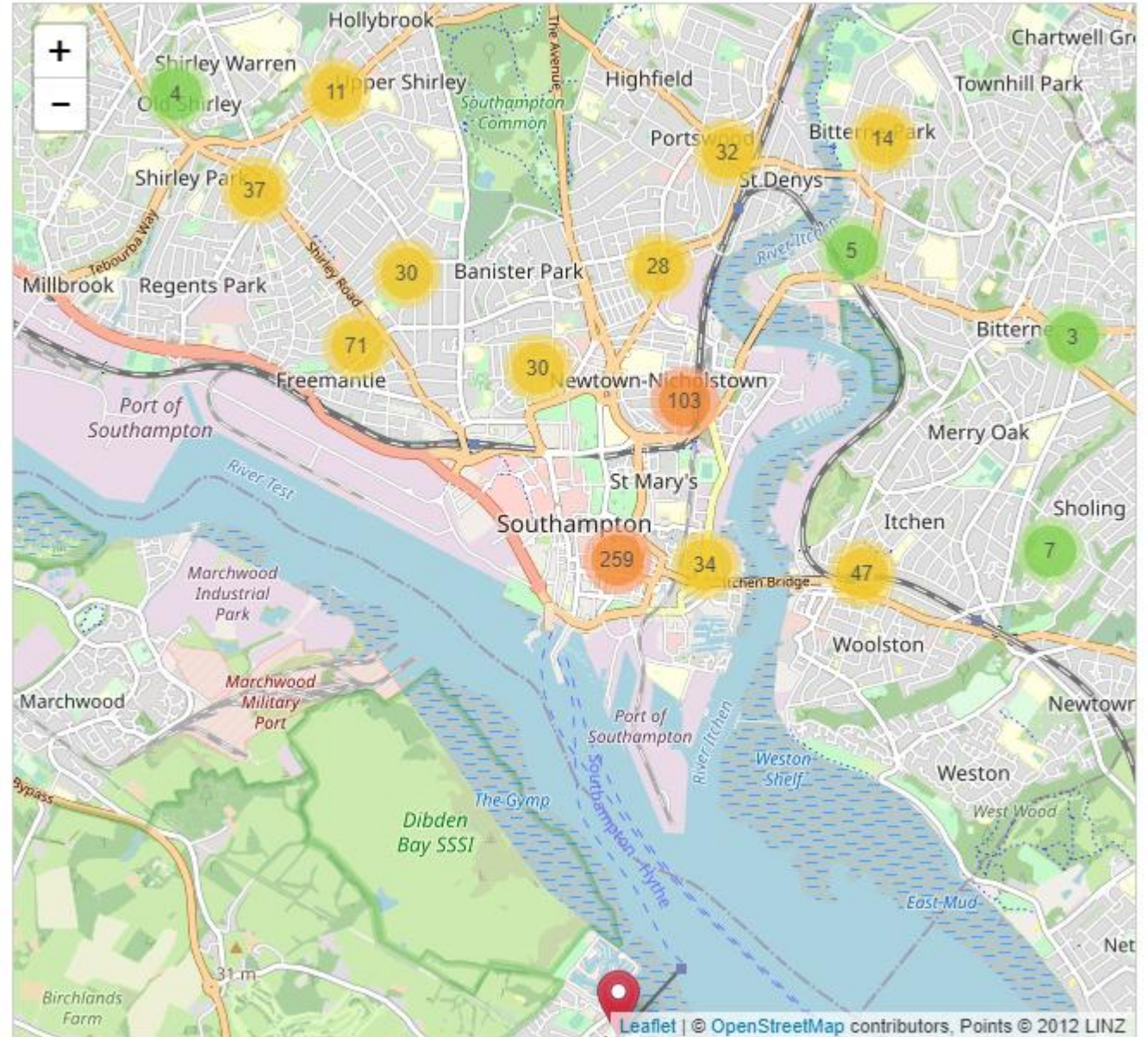
The launch

- Southampton was a major port city and hub of the maritime industry in the early 20th Century.
- The Titanic was built in the Harland and Wolff shipyard in Belfast, but Southampton was its home port.
- Southampton's port facilities were well-developed and could accommodate large ocean liners like Southampton.
- On Wednesday 10th April 1912 shortly after 12noon, RMS Titanic set sail from Southampton's White Star Dock on her maiden voyage to New York.

Source inference



1. What can we learn from this source about why Titanic was significant to Southampton?
2. Which details from the source are the most useful for telling us that?
3. If we use this source for a different enquiry, which other details could be more relevant?



Initial thoughts



Why was the Titanic significant to Southampton?

Example:

I didn't realise...

Individual focus task

Read about each individual from Southampton and their experience of Titanic.

1. What do they reveal about Southampton at the time Titanic set sail?
1. What can you infer about how Titanic changed the lives of people in Southampton?
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Individual	What do they reveal about Southampton at the time Titanic set sail?	What can you infer about how Titanic changed the lives of people in Southampton?	What can you infer about why Titanic would have been remarkable in Southampton?
Edward Smith			
Joseph Boxhall			
Frederick Fleet			
Alfred Frank Evans			
Joseph Scarrott			
Charles Joughin			

Which statement matches your understanding the most?

1. Titanic was significant to Southampton because it created new jobs for the people who lived there.
2. Titanic was significant because it united the city in grief
3. Titanic was significant because it brought in more money to the city of Southampton
4. Titanic was significant to Southampton as a lot of people would have been talking about the city following the ship's launch and sinking
5. I have a different idea and I can explain it...



Rating ▾

Hours ▾

Titanic Engineers' Memorial

4.3 ★★★★★ (112) · Historical landmark

London Rd

🗣️ "This commemorates the engineers who died in the Titanic disaster."



Titanic Musician's Memorial

4.3 ★★★★★ (46) · Historical landmark

Cumberland Pl

Stone tablet honoring 8 heroic artists



Memorial Fountain RMS Titanic

4.5 ★★★★★ (44) · Drinking-Water Fountain

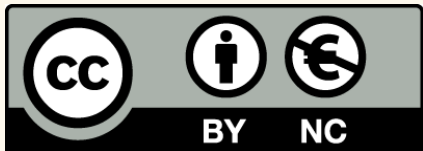
Holy Rood Church, High St



Why is the
Titanic
significant to
Southampton
today?



Remembering Titanic



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