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READING

A Read the article.

Finding the *Titanic*

1 What was the story of the Titanic?

In 1912, there was a tragedy at sea. A huge new ship, the *Titanic*, hit an iceberg¹ and disappeared into the ocean. More than 1,500 people on board died. For years, many explorers tried to find the ship. Finally, in 1985, it was found at the bottom of the ocean.

5 2 Who found the *Titanic*?

Robert Ballard, professor and famous ocean explorer, found the *Titanic* at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean. He has explored the ocean for most of his life.

3 How did Ballard find the ship?

The Titanic was more than three kilometers underwater. But Ballard had something that other explorers didn't have – a deep-sea vehicle² that Ballard invented, called Argo. This special vehicle used lights and cameras to explore the sea floor. There were no people on board Argo, so it could work all day and all night and send pictures to Ballard on the boat above. On September 1, 1985, Ballard and his team saw the first pictures of different parts of the famous ship, the Titanic.

15 4 Where is the *Titanic* today?

The *Titanic* is still in the ocean, and many explorers continue to explore it. But they have damaged parts of the ship with their equipment. They have also taken items from the ship such as jewelry, and have left behind a lot of trash. Ballard wants to turn the area into an underwater museum, where people can visit without damaging the ship. He explains that we need to protect the ship and to respect the people who died in the tragedy.

יקרחון / جبل جليدي liceberg

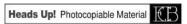
רכב תת-ימי / מע كبة تحت بحرية deep-sea vehicle

Answer the questions about the article.

Choose the TWO correct answers.

What do we learn in paragraph 1?

- a. One explorer tried to find the Titanic.
- b. The *Titanic* disappeared in 1912.
- c. The Titanic was found quickly after it disappeared.
- d. More than 1,500 people died.
- The *Titanic* was a small ship.



2	Complete the sentences.		
	1.	found the <i>Titanic</i> in the year,	
		at the bottom of the (paragraphs 1 and 2)	
	2.	Argo is a invented by (paragraph 3)	
3	Wh	ny could Argo work all day and all night? (paragraph 3)	
4	Where was Ballard when he first saw pictures of the <i>Titanic</i> ?		
	a.	in the deep-sea vehicle	
	b.	on a boat above	
	C.	protection to superior and the protection of the	
	d.	on the ocean floor	
	u.	on the decarring	
5	What THREE problems have visitors to the <i>Titanic</i> caused?		
	1.		
	2.		
	3.		
6		ording to paragraph 4, Ballard wants to make an underwater seum	
	a.	so people can damage the <i>Titanic</i>	
	b.	so people can visit and not cause damage	
	c.	so explorers can visit with their equipment	
	d.	so people can collect items from the ship	