

Titanic: Captain's Table Workshop Outline

P4 – P6

Workshop Outline

Introduction (15 mins)

A costumed Molly the Maid will meet the class and lead them down to our onboard learning space. The students discover that they are going to be trained to become part of the *Titanic's* crew and ultimately set the Captain's Table for a first-class dinner. A few students will be chosen to dress in Edwardian attire and a discussion will follow about how to dress appropriately for serving first-class passengers onboard *Titanic*

Fantasy First Class Menu (20 mins)

After a brief discussion about what type of food would be served to first-class passengers, Molly will split the class into teams so that they can create their very own fantasy menus. Students will use primary sources and their imaginations to create interesting and unusual dishes to write or illustrate on their menus.

Setting the Captain's Table (15 mins)

Once the menus are completed, Molly will give each group a large box containing everything they will need to set the Captain's Table. Students will work together as a team and use their problem-solving skills to sort, polish and clean cutlery and then work out where each piece should be placed. Roles will be assigned to students, such as 'napkin folder', 'menu reader' and etiquette expert'.

Serving Up – Role Play (10 mins)

Molly will inspect the tables to check that they are correct. The workshop will end with a fun test for each group to serve their teacher using correct Edwardian etiquette that they have learnt from Molly and read out their fantasy menus for the rest of the class to hear.