Think About It!

Close-Reading Questions: Read the article “Into the Dark Water” in the September 2017 issue. Then go back and reread sections of the article to answer the questions below.

1. Read the first section. What information about the Titanic disaster is included in the first paragraph?

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2. Why does this first paragraph hook you—make you want to read the rest of the article?

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3. In the first section, the author describes what it was like to eat in the Titanic’s first-class restaurant. Which photo on page 6 helps you understand this experience? What does it show?

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4. In “A Simple Question,” Jack finds out that his father had not boarded a lifeboat. What does Jack say about why his father stayed on board the Titanic?

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5. Why do you think Jack wrote his book about the Titanic in honor of his father?

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Critical-Thinking Question (a big question about the whole article):

6. Think about the title of this article and the photo on page 5. What is the connection between the title and the photo and Jack’s experiences?

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