The Big Ship

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PM Stars

The Big Ship

Levels 8/9

Running Words **162**

Text Type **Description**

Curriculum Areas **Social Studies; Technology**

Focus **Travel and Transport**

Key High-frequency Words

from, has, lots, swim, swimming, top

Key Teaching Points

- Revisit the features of non-fiction texts.
- Explain what a *cruise ship* is.
- Discuss the special features of this big ship: what it looks like and what it has.

Key Questions

- Why is it important that the captain looks out at the sea from the top deck? ***(Inferential)***
- Why does the big ship need lots of rooms? ***(Inferential)***

Word Study

- Find these words in the book: *slowly, sleeping*. Use the ***PM Alphabet Blends*** book *sl* to identify other words that begin the same way.
- Discuss words that end with the suffix *-ing*: *sleeping, dining, swimming, shopping*.

Links with Other PM Stars Non-fiction Books

PM Stars *Non-fiction*	*Making a Little Raft*	Levels 8/9
PM Stars *Non-fiction*	*The Town Garden*	Levels 8/9

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The Big Ship

This is a big ship.

It goes slowly on the water.



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This ship has no sails.

It has big engines
to help it go on the sea.



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The Captain

The captain
looks after the ship.

He goes up a big ladder
to a little room
at the top of the ship.

He looks out at the sea
from this little room.

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The Rooms

Mums and dads
can go on the ship
to have a holiday.

This ship has lots of rooms.

Some rooms
are for sleeping.
They are the **cabins**.

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