

Video: "Storyworks Behind the Scenes: Into the Dark Water" October 2013

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Critical Thinking

Video Discussion Questions

Watch the video "Storyworks Behind the Scenes: Into the Dark Water." Then answer the questions below.

- 1. Lauren Tarshis says she wanted to tell the story of the *Titanic* in a new way. In what way did she decide to tell it? Why might she have chosen this way?
- 2. What mood did Lauren want to create in her article? Why do you think she wanted to create that mood?
- 3. What is a "hook" in a story? Why is it important?

4. What is the second writer's trick that Lauren discusses? What words can you add to the list she gives?

5. Why do you think it's important to learn about the tricks—or techniques—that writers use in their work?

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