

The Unsinkable Jamshed Bharucha

"It's one thing to be stuck at the helm as the ship hits an iceberg, it's another to say it deserved to hit the iceberg because buoyancy is unsustainable." - Sean Cusack, 5/30/13

PART 1:

"Sir, we've finalized a **Master Plan** to build an **unsinkable** new ship."

"Those plans are quite complex."

"Shouldn't we add more lifeboats?"

"It's **unsinkable!** Here's the course we've charted."

"Won't we encounter icebergs?"

"It's **unsinkable!**"

PART 2:

"The ship is launched! The passenger list is full! The shareholders are very pleased with their investment!"

"Look at the great press we're getting!"

"Iceberg's ahead, sir!"

"Full steam ahead! This ship is **unsinkable!**"

PART 3:

"Report, sir, the ship is taking on water fast!"

"Stay the course! Tell the shareholders we need funds to complete our journey, but don't tell them why."

"What about the passengers, sir?"

"Strike up the band! A celebratory party in the Dining Hall!"

"We're losing crew members, sir."

"The Board of Directors is sending me more money to hire a better crew. Full steam ahead!"

PART 4:

"The captain just abandoned ship!"

"Don't worry, we've brought in a new captain. Reporting for duty, sir!"

"I've informed the passengers that sinking the ship is **on the table**, but only as a **last resort!**"

"Refreshing candor, sir!"

"I've also instituted a plan to let no more crew or passengers on to the ship."

"Aye, aye, sir! What about those who have already abandoned the ship? Shall we shoot them?"

"No, no, there is another iceberg up ahead. Point this unsinkable ship towards it!"

"**WHAT?**"

"Do as I say!"

PART 5:

"Some of the passengers and crew are building more lifeboats, sir."

"Mutiny! This is the politics of destruction!"

"Sir, the officer's club has come up with a bold plan. We'll build four more unsinkable ships around this one. This will push down the ocean water and raise this ship back up."

"Brilliant, get more funds from the shareholders. Start building those other ships immediately!"

"Sir, there are other ships in the vicinity. Our telegraph operator is sending out a distress signal."

"No, stop him! I'm creating a new telegraph officer position - we mustn't scare off the shareholders! We need more money to build the new ships!"

"The shareholders are demanding some of their money back, sir."

"But we already run a lean ship! Deny the passengers and the crew any more meals! They must agree to my plan!"

PART 6:

"People are drowning, sir! We have a study that indicates that a passenger who loses half a lung to seawater may live until the other unsinkable ships are built."

"How are the plans for building the new ships going?"

"Slowly, sir, there is some reluctance among the crew to participate, out here in the ocean, in the construction."

"Remind them of their duty to go down with the ship!"

"I believe, sir, that only the captain has that duty."

"This is a new age! We have new models! Stay on course!"

PART 7:

"Sir, the shareholders have endorsed a plan that calls for the wealthy passengers to give up half a lung to seawater, the poorest passengers will be able to keep both lungs, and the remainder will follow a **sliding scale.**"

"Will this apply to new passengers or the current passengers?"

"Only the new passengers, sir. And, of course, all passengers on the new ships we are building will have to bring scuba diving gear and air tanks that last the duration of the journey."

"I understand some passengers have gills, sir!"

"Those aren't passengers, they're fish! The water level here is rising!"

(voices from the door) "MUTINY! MUTINY!"

PART 8:

"Why are we in this lifeboat, sir?"

"The passengers and crew have taken over the bridge! They're trying to steer the ship away from the iceberg!"

"I'm the captain of this ship!! Don't worry, I put the ship on auto-PILOT. The officers assure me that the auto-PILOT can't be turned off!"

"Report, sir! Half of the passengers have left on lifeboats. I must report very low morale amongst the crew."

"I WILL NOT BE THE CAPTAIN WHO LET THIS SHIP SINK!"

"There appears to be a leak in this lifeboat, sir."

"Sir, headed straight for the second iceberg! Is this lifeboat unsinkable, too?"

"Don't worry, I'll shoot up some flares, I have a **golden parachute.**"

"We don't, sir."

"Rough seas ahead!!"

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Look who snuck off...

