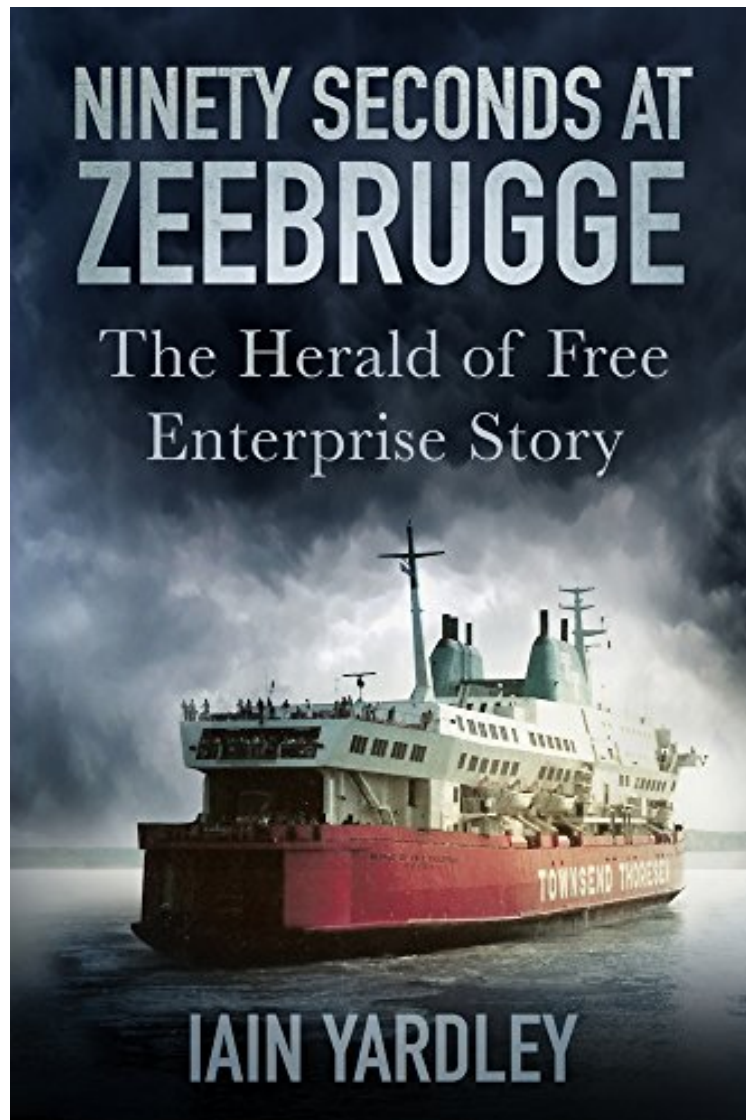


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indicator on the bridge to let the captain know that the bow doors had not been closed. The crewman whose job it was went to his cabin and fell asleep!! As a consequence 193 people died. However, it is rather dry for the telling of a shipwreck. Interest tends to fade in and out.

Herald of Free Enterprise set sail on a routine voyage to Dover in March 1987, carrying hundreds of passengers, including British army personnel, day-trippers and drivers. Minutes after leaving Zeebrugge, the ferry began to capsize. This is the minute-by-minute account of people who lived through the disaster, from the event to rescue, reunion and repatriation.