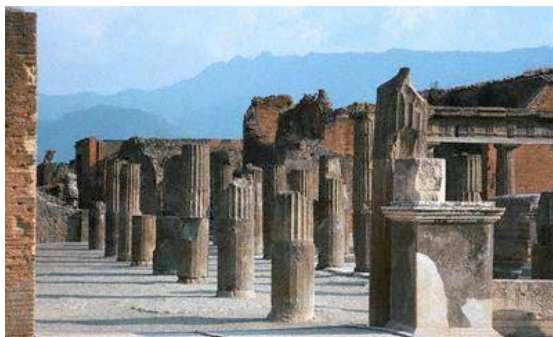


# #11957 POMPEII

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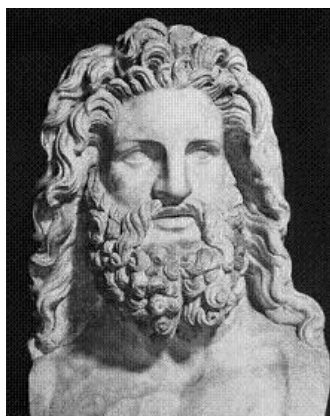
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**Rows of broken columns at  
Pompeii**



**House of Faun**



**Head of Jupiter**

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### **Pompeii (Revised Edition)** **Great Civilizations of the Ancient World Series**

**Subject Areas:** Social Studies, World History, Art & Architecture History

**Synopsis:** Recreates the ancient city of Pompeii and describes the destruction caused by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 A.D. Discusses the excavation of the lost city of Pompeii in 1756 and explores the ruins of the Basilica, the Temple of Apollo, the Forum, the Temple of Jupiter, the baths, the Temple of Fortuna Augusta, a theatre, houses, roads, and the marketplace. Describes life in ancient Pompeii, recreating the buildings as they appeared originally, while looking at Roman art, architecture, food and entertainment.

**Learning Objectives:**

- Objective 1)** Students will be able to discuss the life styles of the people who lived in ancient Pompeii.
- Objective 2)** Students will be able to discuss the destruction that was caused by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 A.D.
- Objective 3)** Students will be able to describe the original architecture of this now extinct city.
- Objective 4)** Students will be able to describe the characteristics of life in Pompeii which made it a particularly Roman City.

**Vocabulary:**

Vesuvius, eruption, Pompeii, Basilica, Temple of Apollo, Forum, Temple of Jupiter, Roman baths, Temple of Fortuna Augusta, Bay of Naples, prosperous, wary, apocalyptic, volcanic slag, pumice, Naples, excavators, Roman theater, Herculaneum, archaeologists, marketplace, porridge, garum, resins, villas, House of the Faun, atriums, House of the Vetti, murals, frescoes, Ionic, portico, forum, Roman Republic, brazier, mosaics, natasio, reservoir, aqueduct, acoustics, Villa of the Mysteries.

**Pre-Viewing Questions and Activities:**

- 1) Why are so many people fascinated with the ruins of the ancient city of Pompeii?
- 2) What kind of a society existed in ancient Pompeii?
- 3) Why did the citizens of Pompeii ignore the warnings that Vesuvius was about to erupt?

**Post-Viewing Questions and Discussion:**

- 1) Recall the Greek influences in the ancient city of Pompeii.
- 2) Why did political figures build fountains?
- 3) What types of performances would take place in the large theaters versus the smaller theaters?
- 4) What was the purpose of the Villa of the Mysteries?
- 5) What is garum?

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## **Additional Activities:**

- 1) Research Roman life at the time of ancient Pompeii.
- 2) Investigate the geological history of Vesuvius and explain why it erupted when it did.
- 3) In the role of a traveler visiting Pompeii, describe the buildings you see from your entrance to your exit of the city.
- 4) Describe the eruption from a child's point of view.
- 5) Write a newspaper article about the eruption from a politician's point of view.

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