

Knowledge Organiser

Year: 4 Subject: English Unit: Diary (Escape from Pompeii)

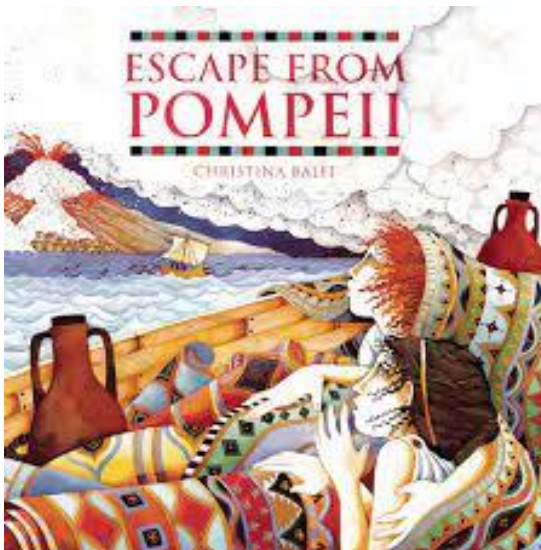
Overview:

During this sequence of learning, children will begin by exploring the what the culture was like in Pompeii and following a peaceful life of a young boy and girl. This will then lead on to the eruption of Mount Vesuvius and the chaos of fleeing from a volcanic eruption. At the end of this sequence of learning the children will be writing a diary entry based on the events.

What will I learn in this unit?

- Using time, place and manner to describe
- Beginning to write in first person
- Similes to compare and describe places and events
- Extending sentences with a larger variety of conjunctions
- Action can be advanced by speech

Book focus



Escape from Pompeii by Christina Balit

Vocabulary:

Pompeii – The city that was destroyed by the volcanic eruption of Mount Vesuvius.

Mount Vesuvius – The volcano which destroyed Pompeii.

Volcano – A mountain or hill with a vent to the earth's core which allows lava to escape.

Docks – A place where ships are kept.

Agora – A market place

Harbour – A place where boats are kept

Tremor – small earthquake

Knucklebones – The bones of the knuckle sometimes used for dice games

Frantically – fear, anxious, hurried, excited

Mooring – tying a boat to secure it to the land or a place where boats are kept

Anxious – scared, worried, frightened, afraid