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## Introduction

Genial Geschichte Topics ist ein fächerübergreifendes Arbeitsprogramm, das bestimmte geschichtliche Themen für den Englischunterricht anbietet, und die Schüler zum selbstständigen Erarbeiten einer historischen Epoche in englischer Sprache anregt.

Viele differenzierte Arbeitsaufgaben, Puzzles, Rätsel, Lernspielen-Dominos und Triminis tragen zur Festigung der Geschichten oder der Informationstexte sowie der neuen Vokabeln bei.

Die Selbstkontrolle der einzelnen Aufgaben ermöglicht den Schülern das Lerntempo selbst zu bestimmen. Ich wünsche Ihnen und Ihren Schülern viel Spaß mit "Genial Geschichte Topics".

Your students will find many possibilities to step into the world of our early history. Puzzles, crosswords and games like dominoes and many more will help your students to learn how people lived in former times easily. All these activities can also be used in open learning.

I wish you and your students lots of fun using "Topics".

*Irene Schwarz*



## The buried city of Pompeii

On August 24, AD 79 Vesuvius erupted. The mountain roared and its summit cracked open. A huge column of ash *shot* up into the air like a rocket. It formed a fountain and then the ash *fell* to the ground.

The people *had* to decide whether to flee or to stay.

Most people started to *run*, others *hid* in their houses and hoped that the rain of fire *would* stop.



By late in the afternoon the sky *was* almost black.

A big avalanche of hot rocks and gas reached the walls of the city and buried it. The people who hid in their houses died from extreme heat, breathing the hot ash.

Within three hours the city was completely buried and nobody survived.

For 1500 years the city lay under a blanket of pumice and ash. Archaeologists excavated the city and learned about Roman life at that time. Much of the city is well preserved.

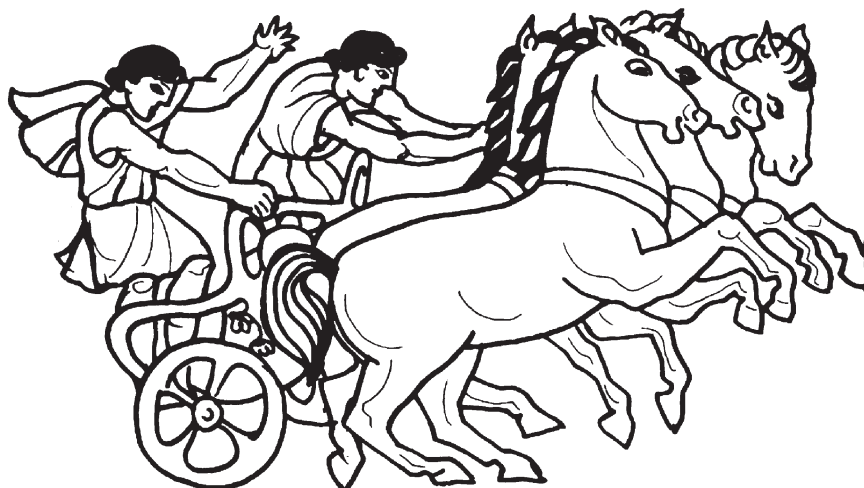
A Roman statesman and writer Plini watched the volcano from the home of his uncle at Misenum across the bay of Naples. His uncle sailed to Pompeii to help the people.

He died because of the heat from the blast.



  Find out if the sentences are true or false

|  | TRUE | FALSE |
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| On September 24, AD 79 Vesuvius erupted  |      |       |
| The people had to decide whether to flee or to stay.   |      |       |
| Most people started to run, others hid in their houses and hoped that the rain of fire would stop.                 |      |       |
| By late in the morning the sky was almost black  |      |       |
| A big wave of hot rocks and gas reached the walls of the city and buried it.                                       |      |       |
| The people who hid in their houses died from extreme heat, breathing the hot ash.                                  |      |       |
| Within three hours the city was completely buried and nobody survived.   |      |       |
| A Roman statesman and writer Plini watched the sea from the home of his uncle at Misenum across the bay of Naples. |      |       |
| His uncle sailed to Rome to help the people.   |      |       |
| He died because of the heat from the blast.  |      |       |





**Find the words in the word search and write the German meanings next to the English**

(if you need help look them up in the dictionary)

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| ARCHAEOLOGIST ..... | AVALANCHE .....  | BAY .....       |
| BLANKET .....       | BLAST .....      | BREATHE .....   |
| BURIED .....        | COMPLETELY ..... | DECIDE .....    |
| ERUPTED .....       | EXCAVATE .....   | EXTREME .....   |
| FLEE .....          | FOUNTAIN .....   | GAS .....       |
| HEAT .....          | LIFE .....       | PRESERVED ..... |
| REACH .....         | ROARED .....     | ROCKET .....    |
| ROCKS .....         | SKY .....        | STAY .....      |
| SUMMIT .....        | SURVIVE .....    | WALL .....      |



🔍✍️ Read the text below and write the marked words- verbs, nouns and adjectives - into the correct grid

On **August** 24, AD 79 **Vesuvius ERUPTED**.

A huge **Column** of **ash** **SHOT** up into the **air** like a **rocket**.

The **people** **HAD** to **DECIDE** whether to **FLEE** or to **STAY**.

Most **people** **STARTED** to **RUN**, others **HID** in their **houses** and **HOPED** that the **rain** of **fire** **WOULD STOP**.

A big **avalanche** of **hot** **rocks** and **gas** **REACHED** the **walls** of the **city** and **BURIED** it. The **people** who **HID** in their **houses** **DIED** from **extreme** **heat**, **BREATHING** the hot **ash**.

Within three **hours** the **city** **WAS** completely **BURIED** and nobody **SURVIVED**.

For 1500 **years** the **city** **LAY** under a **blanket** of **pumice** and **ash**. **Archaeologists** **EXCAVATED** the **city** and **LEARNED** about **Roman life** at that **time**. Much of the **city** **IS** well **PRESERVED**.

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