Spelling list: Pompeii and Vesuvius

Helpful words when writing stories about the eruption of Vesuvius 79AD

Vesuvius Vesuvius is the name of the volcanic mountain which overlooks Naples.

Pompeii There was a gladiator training school in **Pompeii** .

eruption The town experienced a volcanic **eruption**.

lava Lava is hot molten rock from a volcano.

volcano Lava is hot molten rock from a **volcano**.

villa The girl lived with her family in a **villa**.

slave The **slave** would go to the well and fill up the jugs with water.

merchant Merchant ships brought goods from far countries to the area.

gladiator There was a **gladiator** training school in Pompeii.

People in the town would go to the **arena** to be entertained by gladiator and

animal shows.

mountain Vesuvius is a steep, volcanic **mountain**.

vineyard Grapes grow on vines in a **vineyard**.

earthquake The **earthquake** made the ground shake.

plume The eruption created a huge **plume** of smoke.

cloud A thick **cloud** of ash and smoke hung over the mountain.

pyroclastic The **pyroclastic** blast shot rocks and stones high into the sky.

surge A **surge** of hot, molten lava made its way down the hillside.

fear Many people have a phobia or **fear** of spiders.

sulphur Sulfur is the modern spelling of **sulphur** .

arena

Campania is the area of Italy where you can find Pompeii. Campania