



# Time Stood Still

Answer the questions below.

8. Read the following sentence from the story and answer the question.

Fiery volcanic mud and red-hot magma shot out of the volcano.

What do you learn about *magma* from this sentence?

- Magma comes out of volcanoes.
  - Magma is very hot.
  - Magma can shoot out of a volcano.
  - all of the above
9. What was the first thing that happened when Mount Vesuvius erupted?
- Rocks started raining on the town.
  - A 12-mile cloud of smoke and ash blocked the sun.
  - Magma and volcanic mud came out of the volcano.
  - The people of Pompeii went out to sea on boats.
10. Why was so much of Pompeii so well preserved?
- It was frozen in ice for 1,700 years.
  - It was buried in ash and rock by the volcano, so no one had touched it.
  - It was dug up a few weeks after the volcano blast by the people who had escaped.
  - It was flooded, and the whole city was safe underwater.
11. Most of the people who died in Pompeii were killed by a blast of heat called—
- a black cloud.
  - a magma blast.
  - a surgical cloud.
  - none of the above
12. Scientists who dug up Pompeii made—
- new paintings for the houses.
  - walls to keep out tourists.
  - casts of the bodies of the people who died.
  - a new core for Mount Vesuvius.
13. Why does the author say that Pompeii was *both destroyed and "saved" by a volcano*? Write your answer in complete sentences.
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