

**Journal Entry Format: Using Composition Notebook, one full page, in pencil.**

**Heading: upper left hand corner**

- a. First and last name –yours!
- b. Literature & grade
- c. Teacher’s Name {Mrs. Gangelhoff}
- d. Day month year (example: 20 August 2021)
- e. Number of Pages of Book
- f. Title of Book – Remember the title of a book must be underlined!
- g. What the entry is about.

**Ex:**

Name: John Doe

Literature Journal Entry – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Mrs. Gangelhoff

20 August 2021

232 pages

I Survived The Destruction of Pompeii, AD 79

This page discusses chapter 1, why I chose this book, the main character and setting of the story.

I chose this book for several reasons. First of all, it was a book, in a series of books I owned and never had the opportunity to read. Secondly, this book is about the volcano eruption that destroyed the ancient Roman city of Pompeii in August 79 AD. Therefore, I found the topic of the volcano eruption interesting because I had studied volcanoes last semester in science class. Lastly, I chose this book to read because it was about the ancient Roman civilization, and we are currently learning about ancient Greek culture in history class. Therefore, I felt this book would be a good read because it touched on things that I had either learned about or are in the process of learning about.

The book begins, in Chapter 1, with the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. This chapter sets the stage for the eventual and final outcome of the book, which is the utter destruction of Pompeii. In Chapter 1, we are introduced to the book's main character who's name is Marcus. Marcus is an eleven-year-old boy who is a slave. When we first meet Marcus, he is with his father, Tata (who is also a slave), and apparently, they have recently escaped from the villa where they lived. This is essentially the extent of the introduction we have regarding Marcus. The remainder of Chapter 1, as mentioned previously, sets the stage of the story and describes the city of Pompeii and what occurred at the instant that Mount Vesuvius exploded in its cataclysmic eruption.