

Angry Earth

Summaries

Art and Design

- Learn the sgraffito technique with oil pastels and acrylic paints.
- Analyse volcano images by famous artists.
- Create a large class collage.

English

- Explore the fear felt by people living near volcanoes
- Role play a scenario of a family deciding whether to live near a volcano.
- Compile a set of Q&As on volcanoes.
- Explore the use of masks in drama.
- Plan and write a play on the 'Last Day of Pompeii' using naturalistic and non-naturalistic techniques of theatre.
- Explore the use of imagery in poetry.
- Write poems on volcanoes and the eruption of Vesuvius.
- Write a letter to parents inviting them to the Unit conclusion.

History

- Impact of the Vesuvius eruption.
- Evidence of the eruption.
- An eye-witness account.
- Evidence from Pompeii.
- Family life in a Roman city.
- Roman houses.

Music

- Listen to and comment upon Stravinsky's Rite of spring.
- Use notes from the pentatonic scale to make improvised melodies.
- Play instruments to create a phased / layered atmospheric piece of music.
- Perform within an ensemble and lead a group.
- Play musical instruments in a controlled and expressive way.

Languages

- In this Unit pupils meet Michelle Manaudou the French Volcanologist and travel with her to La Réunion.
- Pupils will look at the deadliest volcanic eruptions and when they occurred and practise our numbers and dates.
- Revise the verb avoir and learn about personal pronouns.
- Hear about Michelle's friend Paul's visit to Italy and begin to learn how to form the past tense in French, finishing with creating a holiday diary for Paul.

Computing

- Identify currently erupting volcanoes using the internet.
- Suggest pros and cons of tracking volcanic activity.
- Collect information about a variety of volcanoes.
- Use data to compare eruptions and write statements to make predictions about eruptions.
- Assign a threat level to a volcano based on data.
- Create a poster that warns people about a volcano.

Geography

- Levels and types of volcanic eruptions.
- Benefits of living near volcanoes.
- Tectonic plates and formation of volcanoes.
- The location of volcanoes and earthquake zone.
- Making a model of a volcano and simulating an eruption.

Applied Maths

- Solve problems using data from volcanic eruptions.
- Estimate the volume of a volcano.

