

Dear Diary,

79 AD

My brain is still traumatized by what had just happened! How did this happen to Pompeii, I don't even know where to start. It was a blaring hot summer morning in Pompeii. Heading towards the local amphitheatre, when my dad can make some charming rehearsals! In the beginning, I was looked to his act however, my mind drifted off into space. From my dad's perspective, it probably looked like I fell asleep with my eyes open.

Out of the blue, the ground began to shake. Instantly, I fell out of my seat and I was agghast. What's happening? Several of the actors didn't take it seriously and continued the act. My thought of larvae had been ruined! I gazed at my father and we both exchanged color looks that this was a small earthquake.

The ground shook like mad and it only seemed to get worse. Even though I knew I should have stayed with my father, I decided to dash back and find Livia. My heart was pounding. After weaving through the bustling streets, I had finally arrived at the bakery. The sight of it was chaotic. Fortunately, Livia and I found each other and we both knew we had to escape this hysteria. At this point, we had no idea what was going on but we decided to spread towards the harbor.

We sprinted as fast as we could which was difficult because everyone seemed to be running around like headless chickens. We knew we had to get to escape. We had no choice. Minute by minute, the tremors grew but thankfully we had reached the harbor.

Once Livia and I united, we luckily saw a cargo ship in the distance. We exchanged a look and we both knew escape was the only option. Feeling relieved that we were aboard the ship, Livia and I gasped at the horrific sight before us. A wall struck us like a bullet. I can't believe I kept my sanity. Before long, a flow of downers had hit us and we found ourselves drifting into a slumber.

We were awoken by propand numbing as mount Vesuvius erupted before us. Tears trickled down my face like a river. We buried our faces into our hands. Pompeii was gone.