

Pre-Reading Assignment

In the following passage:

- Label all Subjects (S), Verbs (V) and Objects (O) or Complements (C) above the Latin word
- Put parentheses around prepositional phrases
- Draw an arrow from each Adjectival Modifier (Adjective or Genitive Noun) to the word it modifies
- Put square brackets around dependent clauses and label each clause (Adv. or Adj.).

Remember to try guessing the words in bold before you look for their meanings in the vocabulary below.

READING 18, pt. 1 (*adapted*)

Pliny the Younger writes to a friend who has asked about the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in A.D. 79. See the view of Mt. Vesuvius from Pompeii on p. 290.

Praecesserat per multōs diēs **tremor** terrae; illā vērō nocte invaluit, et nōn solum movērī omnia sed etiam vertī crēdebantur. Irrūpit cubiculum meum māter; iam surrēxī et sēdimus in areā domūs, quae inter mare et tēctum erat. forsitan propter imprudentiam (agēbam enim XVIII annum) poscō librum Titī Livī, quod legēbam. Amīcus avunculī quī ad eum ex Hispāniā vēnerat, ubi mē et mātrem sedentēs, mē vērō etiam legentem videt, nōs corripuit. Iam hōra diēi p̄rīma, et omnia tēcta quassābant; quamquam in apertō locō, angustō tamen erāmus, magnus **ruīnae** timor nōbīs est. Tum dēmum discēdimus ab oppidō multīs cum aliīs.

Vocabulary:

praecēdō, -ere, -cessī	to precede	poscō, -ere	to demand, ask for
diēs, -ēī <i>m.</i>	day	Titus Livius <i>m.</i>	Livy (the historian)
tremor, -ōris <i>m.</i>	tremor, shaking	angustus, -a, -um	narrow
invalescō, -ere, -valuī	to grow strong	ruīna, -ae <i>f.</i>	falling down (of a building)
irrupō, -ere, -rūpī	to rush into	dēmum (adv.)	finally, at last
cubiculum, -ī <i>n.</i>	bedroom	oppidum, -ī <i>n.</i>	town
area, -ae <i>f.</i>	courtyard	avunculus, -ī <i>m.</i>	uncle
domūs (gen. sg.)	house	Hispānia, -ae <i>f.</i>	Spain
tēctum, -ī <i>n.</i>	building, house	sedentēs (acc. pl.)	“sitting”
forsitan	perhaps	legentem (acc. sg.)	“reading”
imprudētia, -ae <i>f.</i>	ignorance	corripō, -ere, -uī	to rebuke, chide
agēbam annum	“I was in my _____ year”	quassō, -āre	to shake violently
		apertus, -a, -um	open