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# Pompeii and Herculaneum

## Student Research Guide

**Ancient History | Year 11 and 12**

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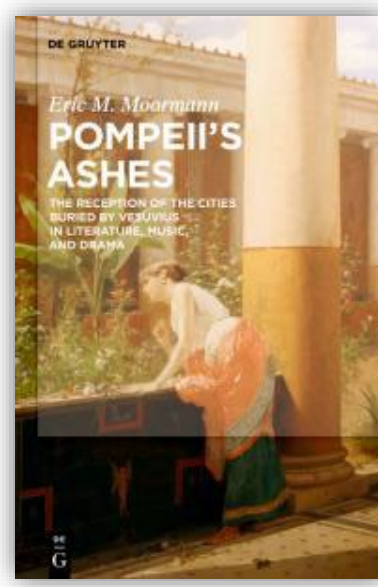
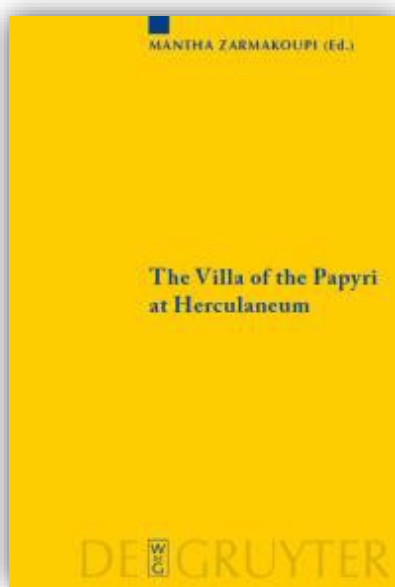
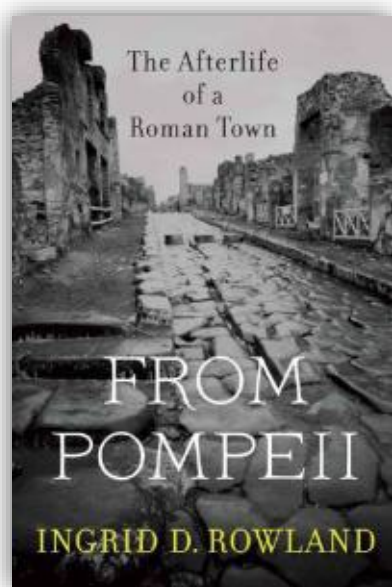
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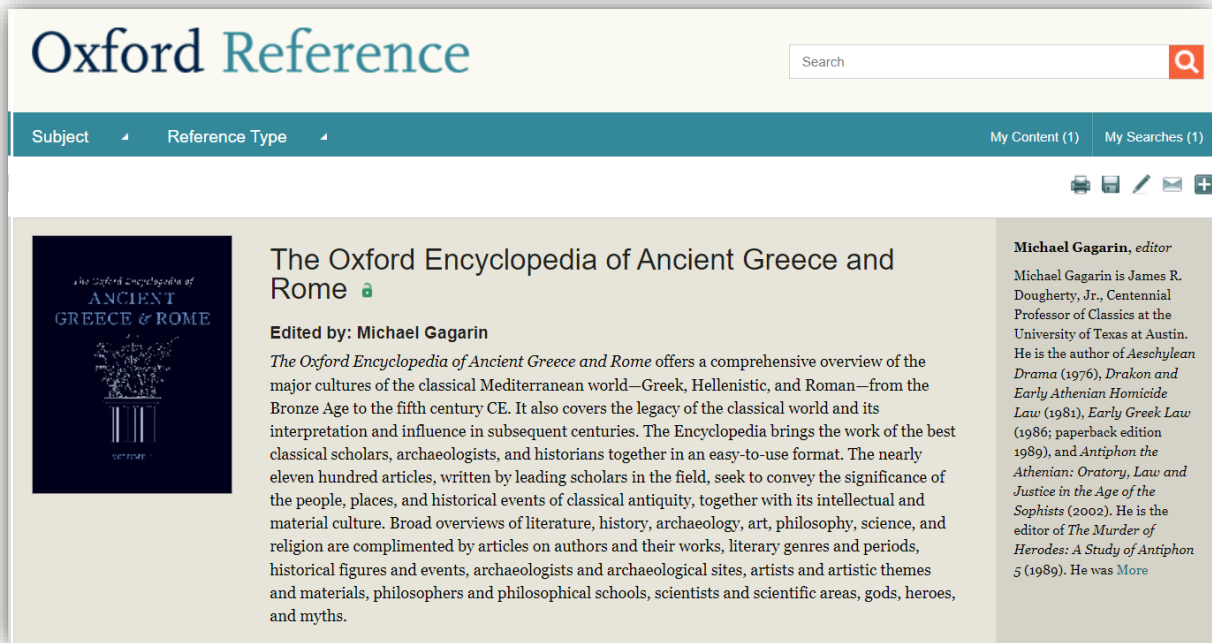
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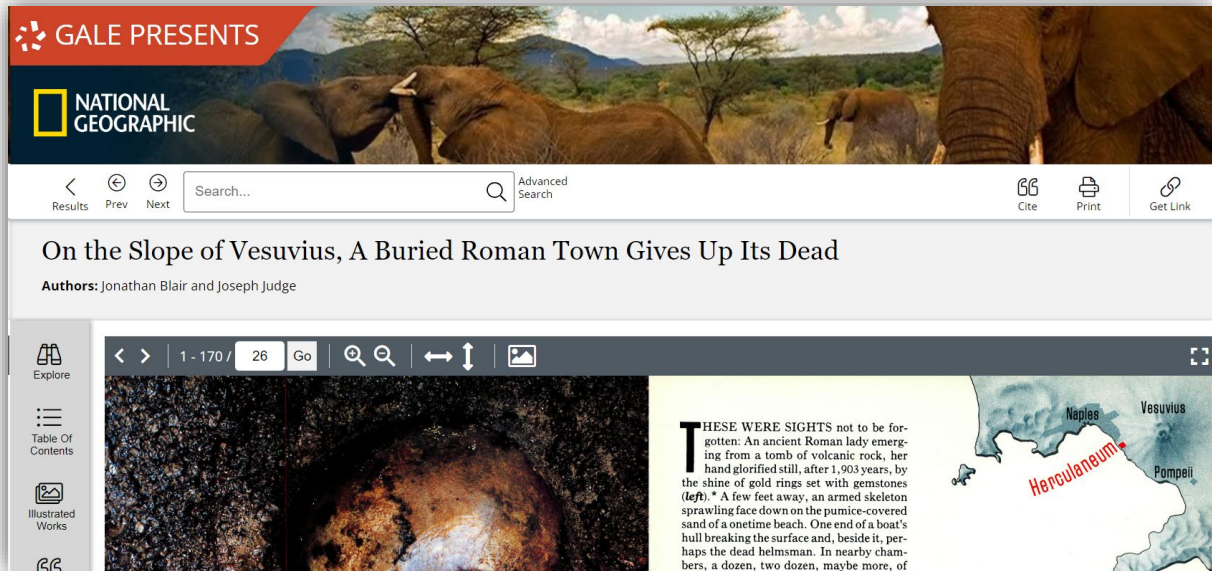
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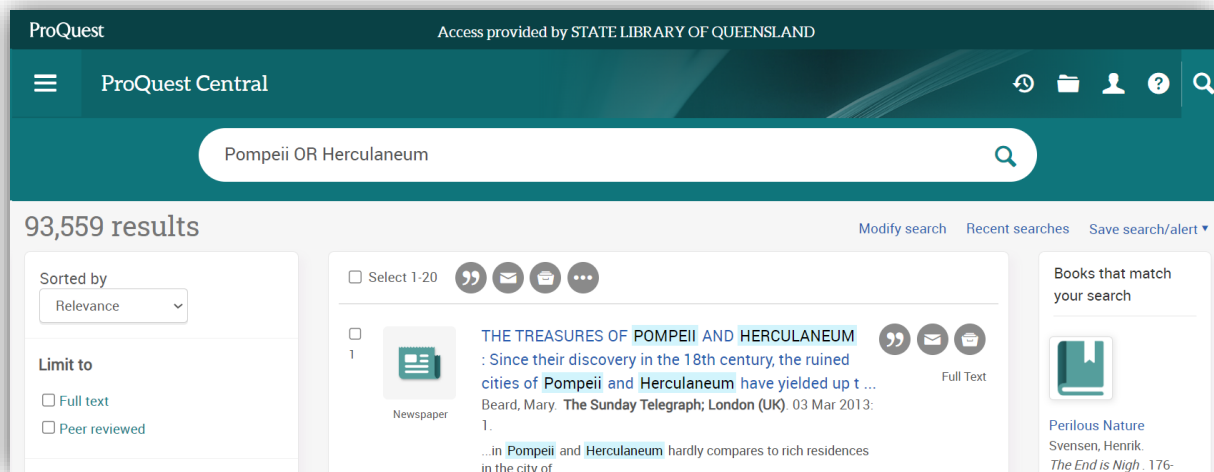
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The screenshot shows the National Geographic Virtual Library interface. At the top, it says "GALE PRESENTS NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC". Below this is a search bar with "Search..." and "Advanced Search" options. The main title of the article is "On the Slope of Vesuvius, A Buried Roman Town Gives Up Its Dead" by Jonathan Blair and Joseph Judge. The article content includes two photographs of archaeological finds: a Roman lady's hand with gold rings and an armed skeleton. A map of the region shows Vesuvius, Pompeii, and Herculaneum. The text describes the discovery of these sites and the artifacts found.

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