Question 8 (10 marks)

To what extent has research since the end of the 1960s changed our understanding of the evidence from the sites of Pompeii and Herculaneum?

In your answer, refer to Sources F and G and your own knowledge.

Research since the end of the 1960s has changed our understanding of the evidence from the sites of Pompeii and Herculaneum quite immensely. Firstly, new dating methods have allowed scientists to reverse the fact that the remains date back to the eruption of Mt Vesuvius.

In Source G, we are informed by the scholar Allison, that research has familiarised us with the fact that particular rooms in Pompeian houses may have once been utilised for other functions, rather than what they are currently believed to have been used for. For example, a cubilicum (bedroom) in a Pompeian house may have been used for other...

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Functions also prior to the eruption of

Vesuvius.

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