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.

Evidence that has been excavated from the sites of Pompeii and Herculaneum post-1960s could of changed our understandings of the site due to advancements in technology and better excavation techniques. As a form of research, this is proven to be supported by source F and G. In addition, the excavation of evidence found in Pompeii and Herculaneum, due to better research, this is evident in Source F because of the well performed excavation on the body that nothing was damaged or harmed and the jewellery was found near the location of the body.

Due to excellent excavation techniques performed by the Archologists

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the research performed on the body would have been cleaner and more accurate. All this research culminates in the archaeologist making a theory-based profile stating that the skeletal body found was probably a thief due to the possession of jewellery.

In the example the research performed changed our understanding of the evidence found in Pompeii and Herculaneum due to the fact that without the new methods performed by the archaeologists the outcome would have been different altering our understandings on Pompeii and Herculaneum.

Source A: "The distinction of... House... contains... and it... significance... supports the argument that... technological advancements and better excavation techniques from... have... provided a better base for research that... our... understandings... at... evidence... has changed... This is evident... Source A through the use of literal terms... Source B: "shows the... advancements... to... Archaeologist... in... evolving evidence... in... research... this... a found..." To translate... a... bed... or... room... is... to assume... that... an... unchanging... function... has... been... established... for..." these... excavated... spaces... this exact... creates... the idea that... due to... the... advancements... in... research... Archaeologist... are... starting... to... make... invalid... assumptions... about... Archaeological... evidence... This idea... changes... our... understanding... of..." the... evidence... due to... the... fact... that... because... of... the... invalidated... assumptions... our... knowledge... of... the... evidence... has... been... altered... by... believing
something that could be false.

Due to the following evidence I can conclude that due to advancements in technology and better excavation techniques from archeologists, the interpretation of Pompeii and Herculanum due to better research for the evidence found this is proven in Source F but is not entirely supported by Source G.