CLC Stage 4 Culture Worksheet: The Forum

Please read pages 62-66 and answer the following questions:

1. The forum in Pompeii was the center of what three aspects of the Pompeians’ lives?
   a. ____________________________  b. ____________________________  c. ____________________________

2. What surrounded the forum on three sides? ____________________________

3. What were its dimensions and what kind of floor did it have?
   a. ____________________________  b. ____________________________

4. Why would a statue of a citizen have been erected in the forum? What other statues stood there?
   a. ____________________________  b. ____________________________

5. What type of protection did the colonnade provide? How did Pompeians enter the forum?
   a. ____________________________  b. ____________________________

6. What was the purpose of the large stone blocks at the entrance ways?
(Please see pictures on pg. 51 & 57)

7. Explain how important information was disseminated among the people of Pompeii?

8. Which official was responsible for law and order in Pompeii?

9. What kinds of buildings were around the forum?

10. From what place in the forum were speeches and announcements made?

11. What were the two major functions of a basilica?
   a. ____________________________  b. ____________________________

12. By what Latin title were the two officials who presided over the court called?
13. What three Roman deities had temples in the forum at Pompeii?
   a. 
   b. 
   c. 

14. What Egyptian goddess also had a temple in Pompeii?

15. With what was the god Apollo concerned?
   a. 
   b. 
   c. 

16. Why was the meeting hall of the cloth merchants so large?

17. Why was Venus important to the people of Pompeii?

18. Why did the Pompeians as well as most Romans believe in so many gods?

19. What was sold in the large covered market in the northeast corner of the forum?

20. The three municipal offices were used for what?
   a. 
   b. 
   c. 

Write the names of the buildings or places indicated on the map below.

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