CLC Stage 5 Culture Worksheet: The Theater at Pompeii

Please read pages 81-84 in your textbook and answer the following questions:

1. When were plays performed in Pompeii?

2. What three types of people went to plays?
   a). __________________________  b). __________________________  c). __________________________

3. What three things might they take with them to the theater?
   a). __________________________  b). __________________________  c). __________________________

4. Who did not have to hurry to the plays? Why not?
   a). __________________________  b). __________________________

5. Where were latecomers seated?

6. How many people could the large open-air theater hold?

7. What was the Odeon?

8. Identify:
   a). cavea –
   b). orchēstra –
   c). scaena –
   d). scaenae frōns –

9. What was the admission charge to the theater?

10. Who paid the theatrical production expenses? For what two reasons did he do this?
    a). __________________________  b). __________________________
11. List three possible sources of relief from the heat of the sun.
   a).
   b).
   c).

12. What was the pantomime?

13. What performers did pantomime require?

14. Who were the actors of the community?

15. What were farces?

16. When were farces usually performed?

17. How did the audience recognize the characters?

18. Of what materials were these things usually made?

19. Name two famous writers of Roman comedies.
   a).
   b).