

**Tuesday 26th January**

**The Colosseum**

Match the information to the correct heading.

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| **Imperial box** |
| **Lowest level** |
| **Middle level** |
| **Highest level** |
| **Arena** |
| **Gladiators’ entrance** |
| **Statues** |

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| Ordinary male citizen’s sat in the second level. |
| The show began with a parade by the gladiators, who entered through this gateway |
| The outer walls were decorated with statues of gods and emperors |
| The emperor and his family sat in a big box in the front row. |
| The highest level was for women and foreign visitors to Rome. |
| The arena, or fighting area, had a wooden floor covered in sand to soak up blood. |
| The richest male citizens sat in the lowest level, where the best seats were. |

**Complete the table with the information from the text**

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| Entrance |  |
|  | These poles supported an awning, which could be extended to shelter the crowd from the hot sun. |
| Women |  |
| Fight to the death |  |
|  | Beneath the floor, there were tunnels with cages for wild animals, such as lions, rhinoceroses, and giraffes, as well as prisoners. They would be released into the arena through trapdoors. |

Answer these questions

How do we know that the Colosseum is big? Find and copy a phrase. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Why did people go to the Colosseum? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_