

Italy Cloze Reading for Grades 4-6

Name _____

Directions: Fill in the correct blanks

The nation of Italy, located in southern Europe on the Mediterranean Sea, has some of the world's most amazing places. Rome, the capital, was the once the center of a _____ empire that _____ across southern Europe and into Asia. Vatican City, located within Rome, is the world headquarters for the Catholic Church and site of the beautiful Sistine Chapel. Venice, in northern Italy is a city filled with canals. The only _____ of transportation within the city is by foot or boat. Pisa, located near Florence, is home to the world _____ Leaning Tower of Pisa. Built in 1173, the tower is tilted toward the ground because its _____ was placed in _____ soil. Italy also has amazing natural _____ such as Mt. Etna, the highest volcano in Europe, and Mt. Vesuvius, the volcano that buried Pompeii and Herculaneum in lava and ash for _____.

Words:

means

treasures

renowned

unstable

eternity

stretched

thriving

foundation