MUSEUM OF ANCIENT CULTURES

Oil Lamp



Student-led inquiry topics and useful resources to begin your research

- 1. Oil lamps were made three different ways. What were these three methods of manufacture?
 - Craven Museum & Gallery Skipton Roman Pottery Lamps https://www.cravenmuseum.org/archaeology/fact-sheets/roman-pottery-lamps/
- 2. How was MU4202 made? What does this method of manufacture enable?
- 3. The use of oil lamps such as MU4202 relied on the manufacture of olive oil. What evidence is there of an olive oil industry existing at Pompeii and/or Herculaneum? Use archaeological and textual evidence to support your answer.
- 4. Describe the scene being depicted on MU4202. Events such as this would have typically taken place at the amphitheatre in Pompeii. What other events took place here? Why was the amphitheatre such an important public building?

