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INTRODUCTION

Benvenuto (welcome) to **Instant Immersion Italian™!** An understanding of other cultures is critical to becoming part of a larger global community. Knowing how to communicate in other languages is one way to facilitate this process. You have chosen a truly global language to learn. There are diverse Italian cultures in Europe, Canada, the United States, and South America, having a worldwide influence on cuisine, fashion, dance, theatre, architecture, and arts. Italian is also the official working language of many international organizations.

Now let's get down to learning some Italian. Did you know that close to half of all English vocabulary has roots in the Italian language? This means you already know the meaning of many Italian words that look very much like their English equivalents: *musica*, *banana*, *nationalità*, *bicicletta*, *ospedale*, and *lettera* are only a few. You just have to learn the pronunciation. And you will see that learning Italian pronunciation is not as difficult as you might think!

This book will help you learn the basics of communicating in Italian in a way that will be fun and easy for you. We include many popular phrases and expressions and show you how these are used in real life through example conversations and stories. Our book also provides an easy pronunciation system that will give you the confidence you need to speak Italian. A wide range of interesting and valuable topics give you a firm grounding in the language, including how to order food like a local, how to travel comfortably within the country, even what to do when things go 'wrong.' *Buona fortuna!*



PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

The following is a key of phonetic pronunciation as you will find in the coming chapters. Note the example of the Italian word, then the written pronunciation. Refer to this key when you cannot remember what the pronunciation is supposed to reveal. Articulation of vowels and consonants are clarified as they pertain to American English.

VOWELS				
A	-	<i>ah</i>	casa	<i>kahsah</i>
E	-	<i>eh</i>	prego	<i>prehgoh</i>
I	-	<i>ee</i>	panini	<i>pahneenee</i>
O	-	<i>oh</i>	bello	<i>behllloh</i>
U	-	<i>oo</i>	cugina	<i>koojeenah</i>

CONSONANTS				
B	-	<i>b</i>	bene	<i>behneh</i>
C	-	<i>k</i>	casa	<i>kahsah</i>
CI/E	-	<i>ch</i>	c'è	<i>cheh</i>
CH	-	<i>k</i>	chianti	<i>keeahntee</i>
D	-	<i>d</i>	donna	<i>dohnnah</i>
F	-	<i>f</i>	fratello	<i>frahtehllloh</i>
G	-	<i>g</i>	gatto	<i>gahttoh</i>
GI/E	-	<i>j</i>	giorno	<i>johrnoh</i>
GN	-	<i>ny</i>	gnocchi	<i>nyohkee</i>
H	-		**will not appear by itself	
rather only with c <i>see above</i>				
L	-	<i>l</i>	lunedì	<i>loonehdee</i>
M	-	<i>m</i>	martedì	<i>mahrtehdee</i>
N	-	<i>n</i>	natale	<i>nahtahleh</i>
P	-	<i>p</i>	padre	<i>pahdreh</i>
Q	-	<i>k</i>	acqua	<i>ahkooah</i>
R	-	<i>r</i>	rosso	<i>rohssoh</i>
S+vowel	-	<i>z</i>	spesa	<i>spehzah</i>
SS	-	<i>s</i>	spesso	<i>spehssoh</i>
T	-	<i>t</i>	sabato	<i>sahbahtoh</i>
V	-	<i>v</i>	Vincenzo	<i>veenchehntsoh</i>
Z	-	<i>ts</i>	zucca	<i>tsookah</i>

DOUBLE CONSONANTS AND VOWELS

Anytime you see two consonants or vowels next to each other, the pronunciation will call for two as well in order to remind you to elongate the sound:

- giallo - *jahlloh*
- zii - *dzee-ee*

Instant Immersion Italian™ has 16 chapters. You can work through the book chapter by chapter or skip around to the topics that most interest you. Study the expressions and vocabulary before reading the dialogue or story. Say them out loud to practice your pronunciation. Read through the dialogue or story as many times as you need for understanding. Then read it out loud. Check your answers to the exercises in the Answer Key in the back of the book. Finally, get in an Italian mood! Cook a delicious bowl of pasta, drink a glass of Chianti, play some music by Ligabue or Andrea Bocelli, buy a Sicilian granita, speak English with an Italian accent, whatever it takes... but have fun learning Italian!

boo-oh johrnoh
Buon giorno!
Good morning!

The Italian *alfabeto* is a phonetic and musical group of letters and sounds representing the Italian language. As you try these letters and sounds, allow your mouth, lips, and voice to exaggerate the pronunciation. The more you enunciate, the more natural your Italian will sound. Remember, Italians are experts at communicating.

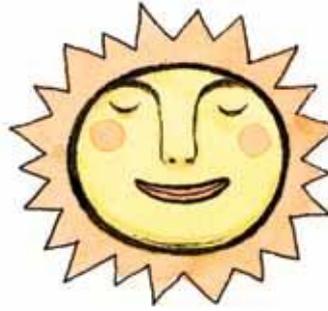


nohn mee eempohrtah
Non mi importa.
No big deal.
It doesn't matter.



fah loh stehssoh
Fa lo stesso.
It's the same for me.
It's all the same to me.

ahndeeahmoh
Andiamo.
Let's go.



loo-ee *loo-ohmoh*
lui l'uomo
he *man*

lah mahtteenah
la mattina
morning

leh-ee
lei
she

lah dohnnah
la donna
woman

pahrlahreh
parlare
to speak

boo-ohn johrnoh
Buon giorno
Good morning.

kohmeh stah-ee
Come stai tu?
How are you?

ee-oh stoh behneh
Io sto bene
I'm fine.

too
tu
you

vohlehreh
volere
want

eel pahneh
il pane tostato
toast

fahreh
fare
to make/to do

ahndahreh
andare
to go



manjahreh
mangiare
to eat

lah chehnah
la cena
lunch

eel prahntsoh
il pranzo
lunch

lah kohlahsee-ohneh
la colazione
breakfast



È mattina. Una donna (Annalisa) e un uomo (Paolo) parlano.

Annalisa: “Buon giorno, Paolo. Come stai?”

Paolo: “Buon giorno, Annalisa. Io sto bene. E tu?”

voo-ohee

Annalisa: “Io sto bene. Dove vuoi fare colazione?”

pohtrahmmoh

Paolo: “Fa lo stesso. Potremmo andare a mangiare
del pane tostato a un caffè; in albergo.”

ahlbehrgoh

an-kee-o

Annalisa: Anch’io. Allora, Andiamo!”

PRACTICE

Fill in the blanks using the words below.

colazione

cena

volere

avere (take)

pranzo

dove

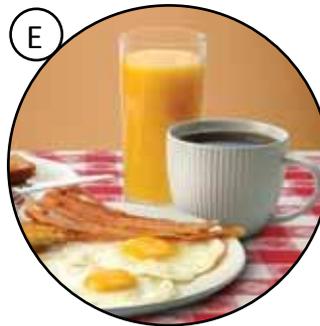
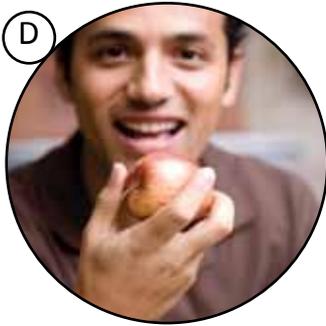
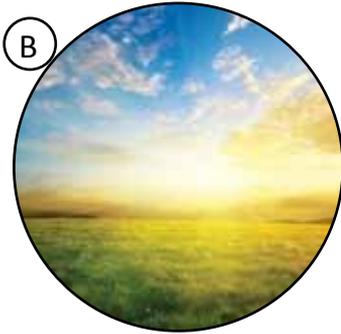
tu

andare

1. _____ vuoi fare _____ ? 8 pm
2. Dove _____ fare _____ ? 8 pm
3. Dove vuo _____ ? 8 pm
4. _____ vuoi mangiare?

MATCHING

MATCH THE SENTENCE WITH THE PICTURE



_____ 1. Un uomo e una donna parlano.

_____ 2. Anch'io. Allora andiamo!

_____ 3. Fa lo stesso.

_____ 4. È mattina.

_____ 5. Dove vuoi fare colazione?

_____ 6. Io vorrei mangiare?

FOCUS: SUBJECT PRONOUNS

SINGULAR

I	io	<i>ee-oh</i>
You	tu / Lei	<i>informal / formal; too / Leh-ee</i>
He	lui	<i>loo-ee</i>
She	lei	<i>leh-ee</i>
It*	lui / lei	<i>loo-ee / leh-ee</i>

PLURAL

we	noi	<i>noh-ee</i>
you	voi	<i>voh-ee</i>
they	(m) loro	<i>lohroh</i>
they	(f) loro	<i>lohroh</i>

*Almost always, nothing is used but the verb conjugation