

## Foreign Language Training – Italian (Beginner)

### Overview

No prior knowledge of Italian is required as the course is for complete beginners. Classes are delivered online or can be arranged for face-to-face if requested.

### Course Objectives

The objective of this course is to acquire basic language skills and to achieve the equivalent of A1/A2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

By the end of the course, you will:

- be able to understand general and detailed information and to communicate in standard speech on a range of everyday issues
- be able to read printed and handwritten script on a limited number of everyday topics
- be able to write simple texts using descriptive language accurately
- have developed intercultural competence

How is the course taught?

- A communicative approach is used. All four skills (speaking, reading, listening and writing) are practised, with the main emphasis on speaking.
- Students engage in interactive language activities, participating in group and pair work based on systematic grammatical progression.
- Students will also be offered guidance in self-study and set homework tasks.

### Course Content

#### Topics

Personal and social life (family, friends, daily routine)  
Travel, transport and directions  
Food and drink, at a bar / restaurant  
At the hotel  
Work and studies  
Going shopping  
Leisure time and hobbies  
Holidays  
The weather  
Situations and experiences in the past

Italian regions and geography  
Italian food and culinary habits  
Memories, childhood and adolescence  
Health  
Italian houses and relevant habits  
Italian geography  
Jobs and professions  
Future plans  
Traditions and festivities in Italy  
Media and Communication in Italy

#### Functions

Greetings and introductions  
Talking extensively about oneself  
Asking for explanations, clarifications and permission

Describing people, places, objects and situations  
Ordering at a bar / restaurant  
Booking a hotel room

Giving and understanding directions, instructions, warnings, advice, suggestions  
 Making arrangements  
 Expressing likes and dislikes  
 Speaking about daily life  
 Talking about events in the past  
 Using some idiomatic expressions  
 Expressing opinions, beliefs and ideas  
 Apologizing, complaining  
 Asking for explanation, clarification, permission  
 Talking about childhood, memories, habits in the past

**Grammar**

Definite and indefinite articles  
 Nouns (gender, number and some irregular forms)  
 Adjectives and adverbs  
 Subject pronouns  
 Place and time prepositions  
 The Present tense of regular and some irregular verbs  
 Use of direct and indirect object pronouns; interrogative pronouns; demonstrative pronouns  
 Consolidation of the Present tense of regular and irregular verbs  
 Use of the Past tense (passato prossimo)  
 Use of some relative pronouns

**Course details**

<b>Duration</b>	90-minutes per class (No. of classes based on needs)
<b>Max delegates:</b>	6 Face-to-face 6 Online

Describing and comparing objects and events  
 Visiting a GP  
 Writing formal letters/emails (introduction)  
 Writing your C.V. and applying for a job  
 Making a booking and expressing preferences or complaints  
 Making extensive use of different past tenses  
 Expressing wishes, likes and dislikes (using the conditional tense)  
 Expressing opinions (using the conditional tense)

Use of some pronominal verbs  
 Forms and use of Imperfetto  
 Use of simple and compound prepositions  
 Uses of Imperfetto and Passato Prossimo  
 The Simple Future  
 Relative pronouns  
 Comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs  
 Direct and indirect object pronouns  
 Consolidation of the use of Passato Prossimo and Imperfetto  
 Some idiomatic expressions  
 The Present and Past Conditional: forms and uses

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