



Dante Alighieri Society Sydney

to promote the Italian language and culture

Italian Courses

Duration: 10 x 2-hour sessions

Cost: \$340 with min. 6 students

Levels offered: Beginner (A1),
Intermediate (A2) and Advanced/Conversation (B1)

Start: 1 February 2022

Please feel free to register your interest, by sending
an email to enquiries@dantealighieri.com.au

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TIME SCHEDULE FOR ITALIAN COURSES

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- **Beginner = (A1)**
- **Intermediate = (A2)**
- **Advanced / Conversazione = (B1)**

If you have any other request let us know, we'll be happy to accommodate to your needs! Feel free to write to us at enquiries@dantealighieri.com.au

Beginner (A1)

Morning: Tuesday 8 February ore 10:00am -12:00pm **Josto Luzzu**

Evening: Monday 7 February 6:00 - 8.00 pm **Alessandro Mariolini**

Intermediate (A2)

Morning Monday 7 February 10:00am -12:00pm **Isabella Croce**

Evening: Tuesday 2 February 6:00 – 8:00 pm **Marina Foti**

Advanced (B1)

Morning: Venerdì 4 February ore 12:00 – 2:00pm **Antonella Beconi + Josto Luzzu**

Evening: Martedì 1 February ore 6:00 – 8:00pm **Antonella Beconi + Daniele Fulvi**

LEVEL A1 - Beginner Course/ Corso principianti

Based on: [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages \(CEFR\)](#)

Aims

This beginner Italian course is ideal for anyone who never learned Italian. You will learn basic greetings, how to express likes and dislikes, and how to present yourself. Grammatical elements are also introduced, and you will start to work on your speaking and listening skills. Nouns, articles and prepositions use are introduced as well as basic pronunciation, writing and reading skills. The course is delivered as a series of interactive workshops, where active participation is encouraged.

Outcomes

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- introduce yourself and greet others at an initial meeting
- denote possession
- talk about yourself
- make a short personal presentation
- denote employment and place of work
- enrol in a language course.

Content

- Greetings
- Introducing yourself and others
- Pronunciation and spelling
- Nouns and adjectives - (singular and plural)
- Regular verbs ending in -are and *essere* (to be), *avere* (to have), *fare* (to do or to make)
- Articles – definite and indefinite
- Introduction to prepositions
- The use of the courtesy form.

Prescribed text

The prescribed textbook is available in two versions. You are welcome to purchase either version.

[Dieci A1 – Alma edizioni – Book + DVD by Naddeo & Orlandino](#)

[Dieci A1 – Alma edizioni – Book + eBook by Naddeo & Orlandino](#)

Based on Units 0-2 of the above text. The text is used for levels 101 to 201 and forms the basis for consolidation and practice. It is based on language learning through conversation method.

Suggested textbook suppliers

Language Book Centre

languagebooks.com.au

booktopia

booktopia.com.au

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Class schedule

Beginner (A1) –

Morning: Tuesday 8 February ore 10:00 -12:00 **Josto Luzzu**

Evening: Monday 7 February 6:00 – 8:00 pm **Alessandro Mariolini**

LEVEL A2 - Intermediate /Intermedi

Based on: [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages \(CEFR\)](#)

Aims

This course aims to consolidate and develop knowledge previously gained and introduce more complex language structures.

Outcomes

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- use adjectives to describe people, places and events
- use the conditional to express desires and possibilities
- arrange to meet a friend or colleague
- identify some of the cultural aspects of living in Italy and compare and contrast these aspects with those of other countries.

Content

This course covers the following topics:

- Talking about the past
- talk about ourselves
- discuss about cost and timetables
- describe a person
- Expressing comparisons
- Giving advice
- Past tenses: passato prossimo and imperfetto
- Comparing the social habits and traditions of countries
- Revision and expansion of first year material
- Comparatives
- Superlatives
- Adverbs: *molto* and *troppo*

Intended audience

Suitable for A2 level students, those who have completed 95 hours of recent tuition.

Delivery style

Delivered as a series of interactive workshops using a communicative approach whereby you are encouraged to use the language through group work and pair work, as well as being exposed to the language through guided video and audio work followed by discussion and practice. Each session focuses on one or more language topics/grammatical points and is conducted in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

Prescribed text

[Dieci A2 – Alma edizioni – Book + DVD by Naddeo & Orlandino](#)

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Intermediate (A2)

Morning: Monday 7 February 10am -12:00 pm **Isabella Croce**

Evening: Tuesday 2 February 6:00 – 8:00 pm **Marina Foti**

LEVEL ADVANCED B1- Italian Conversation & Culture Course

Based on: [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages \(CEFR\)](#)

Italiano con le regioni

Join our intermediate Italian conversation course and practice confidently expressing yourself in a range of contexts. This course is particularly focused on Italy's different regions and the cities, arts, culture and history therein.

This course is designed for anyone who has completed a A2 level of study (from the Common European Framework for Languages).

Each week we will discuss different regions of Italy, along with assigned pre-reading materials and (some) related grammar exercises. We will discuss the cities, art, culture, food, buildings and history of each of Italy's regions. We may also discuss a contemporary topic of cultural interest that is relevant to a particular region, for example, politics, mafia, people and fun facts.

Aims

The aim of this course is to develop your understanding of Italy's culture and history by enhancing your language proficiency.

Outcomes

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- describe complex texts regarding history, arts and culture in general
- discuss important Italian cultural events
- express your opinion on politics and the arts
- demonstrate an understanding of Italy and its inhabitants
- confidently read regional menus and know how to place an order in a restaurant.

Content

The course content is divided per Italian region. We will start with Friuli and work our way through all 20 regions. We will discuss the unique diversity of the Italian regions with all their beauty and bizarre histories.

Our focus when discussing each region will be:

- history
- arts and culture
- cultural events
- politics and the arts
- food
- the local inhabitants.

You will learn to confidently discuss and express your opinion on each of these topics.

Each week you will receive the materials for the next class with instructions regarding the most important things to read or watch. All pre-reading is not compulsory.

Delivery style

Tutorial/workshop style. Learning materials are presented and discussed in an open classroom environment and in small groups (of 4 to 6). Reading materials are shared one week ahead of class. It is not compulsory to read the materials every week.

Materials

Course materials that are provided electronically.

Prescribed text

Qua e là per l'Italia. Alma Edizioni by Cusimano & Ziglio

Class schedule

Advanced B1

Morning: Venerdì 4 February ore 11:00am – 1:00pm **Antonella Beconi + Josto Luzzu**

Evening: Martedì 1 February ore 6:00 – 8:00pm **Antonella Beconi + Daniele Fulvi**