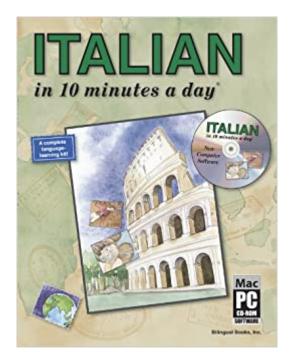


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## ITALIAN In 10 Minutes A Day With CD-ROM





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I bought this so I can make sure NOT to forget how to read and write in Italian and have found it to be a great starting book for both beginners and natives. It starts you out with the alphabet and gives you the break down of each letter, how to pronounce it, and an example. The book is separated in sections, like family, religion, restaurant, etc. and starts out with a word, how to pronounce it and underneath that it gives you the meaning. It slowly gets you used to the words and then stops giving you the pronunciation and meaning, giving you a chance to utilize what you learned. A bonus, at the end of the sections there are games, stickers, etc. giving you a chance to practice more in a fun way.I am Sicilian and I have come to realize it is nearly impossible to find good Italian learning books. If found they usually cost twice as much and are not always extremely helpful. This book gets a BIG THUMBS UP from me!

OK! While no one can learn another language in 10 minutes a day, this series of book WILL give the user a good platform to be able to enjoy a holiday in a country where they don't speak the language. It gave me the ability to comfortably say pleasantries like "please, thank you, no-thank you etc." I was able to order from a menu with surprising ease and could ask simple questions like "Where is the toilet?" VERY easy to use and the stickers that you put all over things (remove easily!) puts the words in front of your face and you learn the names without any REAL effort. This is a great series of books. I have used them in German, Italian and French. I have also seen them being used in Venice, Italy by Italians to learn Asian. I have used them to learn some Russian too...boy that's not easy! This book helps for sure! I have even purchased them as gifts for high school students...they really DO help!

This book is nicely laid out and I think would be useful for basic communication. Like so many language courses that rely on repetition because they don't really want to teach you grammar, the student is stuck memorizing tons of stuff without being shown the patterns on which the language is based. This means you have to absorb those rules and patterns very slowly - when in reality (despite what all the amazing language programs want to tell you!) adults do NOT learn languages the same way children do - our aural recall is not as good as theirs, and we learn much better by learning patterns. Also the CD was horribly disappointing - I expected it would have the same lessons as the book, but instead it is just an alphabetical list of words. This would be great for

review once you have finished the course, but it is of no help at all to learn the spoken words at the same pace as the written lessons in the book.

This "Italian in 10 minutes a day" guide with CD-ROM is a very useful tool for the motivated learner looking to pick up some Italian for, say, a visit to Rome. It works especially well for students who are visually oriented. The book takes the student through a series of lessons and exercises to build a basic vocabulary and knowledge of sentence structure for reading and speaking Italian. The simplified pronunciation in the book and the CD-ROM should enable the student to sound out basic words and phrases. Recommended.

I used this book when I was first learning Italian and now my son (10 years old) and wife are using it. It's an easy entry point into the language because of the repetition it encourages and because of the many pictures (drawings) it contains. The stickers and cards are helpful, too. The CD isn't great, but my son enjoys playing with it and it reinforces concepts explored in the book. Travelers won't find a lot of the words and phrases very helpful, so if you're a traveler looking to get up to speed on a language so that you can speak it at a basic level, buy a phrasebook instead. This isn't Rosetta Stone (the price should tell you that), but it's not a bad way to begin learning Italian.

Ciao! Got this book and cd for a class I'm taking on conversational Italian. Comes with pages of flashcards, which are very helpful. Also has stickers to stick on household items to help you remember names, but these fall off of everything, so not so good. They tend to use more formal Italian than my instructor says is currently used in Italia, but overall, I think this book has a lot to offer. Lots of exercises to do. Not sure if this would be enough, without a class, to get you ready for a trip, but is very helpful. Can't say I've used the cd yet.

This book was recommended by a friend, and I liked it so much I decided to buy a copy for myself. It has pictures and pronounciations, stickers and flash cards, and feels like a grammar school workbook, which is said as a compliment. In other words, it approaches learning a new language in a very non-threatening and fun way, not at all like a stuffy textbook. I have been able to make a lot of progress using this book along with the Italian language class I am taking as a supplement to the stuffy textbook. The instructor wants to use this for the text next semester.

I picked this up for a "Learning Annex" class. As my teachers (native speakers) can attest, there are

a few errors in this book. However, it's a decent set of vocabulary in a learnable format.I recommend checking out youtube if you are looking for a free/cheap way to pick up language. I've found video lessons helpful.

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