

THE ITALIAN LANGUAGE INSTITUTE



*Volare oh oh
cantare oh oh oh,
nel blu dipinto di blu,
felice di stare lassù,
e volavo volavo
felice più in alto del sole
ed ancora più sù,
mentre il mondo*

*pian piano spariva laggù,
una musica che suonava
soltanto per me.*

*Volare oh oh
cantare oh oh oh
nel blu dipinto di blu
felice di stare lassù.*

*Ma tutti i sogni
nell'alba svaniscon perché
quando tramonta la luna
li porta con sé
ma io con me a sognare
negli occhi tuoi belli,
che sono l'unico mio*



LEVELS

We provide six different Italian language courses levels, applicable to the parameters of the Common European Framework: A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2:

Elementary level (A1) At this level students learn to interact with the Italians in the basic situations of daily life: introduce themselves, make purchases, request information, order in a restaurant.

Pre-intermediate level (A2) Students refine their basic knowledge of Italian language and are able to talk about various topics and simple experiences.

Intermediate level (B1) Students review the forms, vocabulary and strategies to narrate. More complex grammatical structures are practiced. Students may deal with more difficult communicative situations.

Upper-Intermediate level (B2) Students broaden and deepen their knowledge of Italian. They express themselves easily and can talk about more varied topics.

Proficiency level (C1) Students can understand demanding texts, can express ideas fluently, can produce clear and effective language.

Mastery level (C2) Comprehension is almost perfect, can express themselves spontaneously, fluently and naturally, differentiating nuances even in complex situations.

All students are requested to complete the level test and send it together with the application form to the school. However, the level will be confirmed on the first day when all students meet at 9.00am at the school for another short test before starting the first lesson.

After the first lesson all students are invited for a free guided tour of Viterbo.

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THE SCHOOL

The institute is situated in the centre of Viterbo and has been offering courses for ENGLISH and ITALIAN since 1995 and is accredited by the Italian Ministry of Education and Cambridge English Language Assessment. The experience, the methods and the supervision of our teaching ensure the high standard of our courses.

We also pride ourselves on the warm, welcoming atmosphere in the school as well as the helpfulness of the staff. Teaching in small groups enables closer contact with teachers and fellow classmates, something which has helped students overcome shyness and has encouraged higher levels of class involvement.

THE METHOD

Our method focuses on real communication. It consists of communicating and expressing oneself in real contexts and comprehending the ideas of others, exercised in class by using authentic materials whilst being guided by a native speaker. The teacher takes the students to the market place, bars and shops in Viterbo where everyone can put their new skills to the test. In class, students develop the ability to orally communicate (speaking and listening), to understand written texts (reading), to produce written texts (writing) and build their knowledge of grammatical structures and vocabulary.

THE TEACHERS

Each teacher is a university trained Italian mother-tongue with experience in teaching Italian as a foreign language. Many of the teachers have often taught classes of mixed-nationality students, acquiring skills which allow them to stimulate effective interlingual communication between the participants.

THE TOWN

Viterbo (population: 60,000) is in central Italy, around 65 miles (105 km) north of Rome. The medieval walled hill town is situated in Lazio. The region is also known as **Tuscia**, and lies within the loosely-defined area of **Etruria**, which spreads across Lazio, Umbria and Tuscany, incorporating the heartlands of the ancient Etruscan civilization.

The main attraction in Viterbo is its medieval architecture: the remains of its grand Papal Palace (*Palazzo dei Papi*) and the humbler medieval lanes. Other places of interest include the museums, the town Cathedral and a selection of other Palazzi and Churches. The town is also famous for its Roman hot springs, boasting both public and private Spas. The surroundings are characterized by green landscapes and enchanting **medieval villages**. Viterbo and Tuscia offer an oasis of good food and relaxation. Just 20 km away there are the **lakes: Bolsena** and **Vico** which were formed in ancient volcanic craters. Flatter in the north, the land becomes more hilly as you head towards the **Cimini mountains**, then slopes back down to the River Tiber.

**E tutto che al mondo è
civile, grande, augusto,
egli è romano ancora!**

ODI BARBARE

Giuseppe Carlucci

ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation provided is a traditional B&B or a picturesque Country House - the choice is yours. The B&Bs are situated in the city centre of Viterbo, within walking distance of the school. The country house is situated outside Viterbo and should only be booked if you are going to rent a car. Additional detailed information is available upon request.

FREE TIME

Viterbo and its surroundings offer many interesting places to visit. We are happy to assist you in planning the following visits:

- **MUSEUMS IN VITERBO:** National Etruscan Museum, Colle del Duomo, Museo Civico, Museo della Ceramica
- **VITERBO UNDERGROUND:** Underground Tour of an Etruscan underground cave
- **THE THERMAL SPRINGS IN VITERBO:** Roman water-works and luxurious bath-houses
- **VILLA LANTE:** A beautiful botanic garden with waterfalls and fountains and a Mannerist style Villa from 16th century
- **ROME:** Day tour of Caput Mundi
- **BOMARZO:** Villa of Wonders from 1552
- **ORVIETO:** Etruscan hill town with its 14th century cathedral decorated by several of the best Italian painters
- **CIVITA DI BAGNOREGIO:** "The dying village" - only accessible by a pedestrian bridge
- **THE OUTLET IN VALDICHIANA:** Italian shopping Village
- **BOLSENA LAKE:** You can relax on sandy beaches and take boat tours on the lake
- **VICO LAKE:** Crater lake in the Cimini Mountains, ideal for hiking, canoeing and good food
- **THE SEASIDE OF LATIUM AND TUSCANY:** Enjoy the beautiful seaside with several beaches and small hill towns like Tarquinia, Capalbio or Ansedonia

Contact us for further information, bookings, transfers, tourist guides and more.



FEES

	COURSE FEE	LUXURY B&B	STANDARD B&B	COUNTRYHOUSE	FAMILY
FEE FOR 1 WEEK	€ 280	€ 300 (single room) € 420 (double room)	€ 175 (single room) € 295 (double room)	€ 270 (single room) € 420 (double room)	On request
FEE FOR 2 WEEKS	€ 490	€ 540 (single room) € 720 (double room)	€ 330 (single room) € 550 (double room)	€ 540 (single room) € 840 (double room)	
HOURS OF TUITION	Group Courses (3-6 students): 18 hours of tuition per week Semi-Individual Courses (2 students): 15 hours of tuition per week Individual Courses (1 student): 10 hours of tuition per week Extra individual lessons € 30 per hour				
	Annual Registration Fee (for courses and accommodation) € 80 - includes all learning materials, photocopies, guided tour of Viterbo the first day (in Italian); snacks and a beverage are provided as a complimentary gift				
	Course fee includes tuition				
	Courses run Monday to Friday 9.00-11.00 & 11.30-13.00* 1 hour of practical Italian outside the school (market place, bar, shops, tourist office etc)				
	We provide private tuition in hotel, country house or holiday home				
	Ask for additional week(s) fees				
	Discounts for family or groups				
	Transfer to / from Fiumicino / Ciampino Airport € 150				
*on Fridays, lessons finish at 13,30					

ENROLMENT

Please send at least 4 weeks prior to your arrival: Completed application form with a copy of your passport or ID.

Completed level test (request via e-mail to info@italianinstitute.it) The receipt of the deposit payment which includes the following: registration fee of **€ 80.00** (valid for 12 months) and 30% of the total course and accommodation fee.

CALENDAR

Our courses start on Mondays from June to mid October.

If you book accommodation, arrival is on Sundays and departure on Saturdays.



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