



Course Outline – 30 Weeks

Language: Italian

Level: 3

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Please note that in level 3 we cover units 1-5.

Please note that this is a proposed course content, it may vary depending on the level of the group.

Topics and Vocabulary	Grammar	Communicative Objectives
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Shopping for items and describing them (size, price, colour)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Indirect pronouns & the verb <i>piacere</i>Use of this and that (<i>questo/quello</i>)Informal imperative formsComparativesColour agreement (with nouns)Prepositions with shops (<i>da, in</i>)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Shop for clothes and accessoriesDescribe clothing itemsExpress preferences and opinionsAsk for and give advice
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Past habits, memories and pets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Ci</i> (some use and functions)Imperfect tenseImperfect vs Passato ProssimoTime expressionsAltered nouns – nouns that change meaning with endings (<i>-ino/a, -one/à</i>).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Talk about memoriesDescribe past habitsAgree and disagreeNarrate events

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical appearance and personality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present conditional Passato Prossimo of <i>cominciare</i> and <i>finire</i> with <i>essere</i> or <i>avere</i> Comparisons Using <i>farcela</i> – to manage, cope, or succeed Using <i>sapere</i> to express ability (<i>so cucinare</i>) Neither...nor (<i>né...né</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe people's physical appearance and personality Make comparisons Give advice and suggestions Make guesses or talk about what might happen
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making plans to go out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present progressive (<i>stare</i> + gerund) Expression <i>ce l'ho</i> Agreement in Passato Prossimo with direct pronouns <i>Già</i> (already) and <i>non...ancora</i> (not yet) Relative pronoun <i>che</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrange to meet friends Invite, accept, decline or propose an alternative Talk about a show or performance Ask for information at the ticket office (times, dates, prices)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travelling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparing Passato Prossimo and Imperfetto <i>Sapere</i> vs <i>Conoscere</i> in the past Using <i>volevo</i> for polite request <i>Volerci</i> – to indicate how long something takes Relative pronoun <i>cui</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask questions politely Narrate a trip or travel experience Show interest and listen actively Express surprise or regret Ask about the duration and cost of a trip Give and ask for directions