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Course description

Italian 2010 is an intermediate course designed to expose students to advanced Italian grammar and to improve oral and written communication in Italian. Using the textbook *Da Capo*, students will review basic grammar and learn more complex grammatical constructions necessary for fluent communication in Italian. The other book, *Better Reading Italian*, will provide an opportunity to apply the material learned. *Da Capo* will also be used in Italian 2020 taught during Spring and Summer semesters.

Homework

Your textbook and lab manual are equipped with CDs that you should use to learn vocabulary and to complete the exercises. The CD for *DaCapo* covers the vocabulary at the end of each chapter, while each exercise in the Lab Manual (workbook) is covered in one of the six CDs included. You should not do your homework without listening to the CDs. The homework from the *DaCapo* Lab Manual should be uploaded on Canvas by the date indicated on the syllabus. Homework from the reader (*Better Reading Italian*, or *BRI*) should be submitted in the appropriate box as a voice file (use the Canvas voice recording tool). In each voice file students will read/articulate their answer to the BRI exercises. No written copy for those exercises needs to be uploaded, unless you want prior feedback. All assignments are due by 11:00 PM Utah (Mountain) time each Thursday. Maura and I are happy to go over the pronunciation of your BRI exercises if you email us the written answers by Wednesday at noon (Mountain time). We will send you a voice file back or written edits prior to Thursday at midday. Moreover, we are happy to review your *DaCapo* exercises if submitted early by the same time, as described above. Late homework will NOT be accepted without prior authorization.

Quizzes

There are 6 quizzes of mixed format. They will have multiple-choice questions, fill-in-the blank questions, and short answers. All quizzes will be available from Monday to Thursday at 11:00 PM of each week, and you may take them as soon as you have finished learning the material for each week. Each quiz is open book but timed and will automatically close after 11:00 PM on Thursday each week. Late quizzes will NOT be given unless previous arrangements have been made with the instructor.
Books


Your textbook is Da Capo, which is accompanied by a CD. You should use the CD to learn the pronunciation of the vocabulary in each chapter. You also have the Da Capo Lab Manual, which is accompanied by 6 CDs, which you will need to complete your homework from Chapters 1-7 (Chapters 8-14 are covered in Italian 2020). Your reader, Better Reading Italian, does not have a CD.

Possible Points

Written assignments: 20 points x 9 (# of assignments) 180 points
Quizzes: 20 points x 6 (# of quizzes) 120 points
Voice files: 20 points x 14 (# of voice files) 280 points

Total possible points: 580 points

Schedule

● Week 1 (August 29 – Sep 2)

From Da Capo, Chapter 1
Per Cominciare:
- Learn the vocabulary
Struttura:
- Learn the Present Indicative also using your class notes on Canvas
- Learn how to use the Present Indicative
- Learn the Present Indicative of irregular verbs conjugated in this chapter
- Learn the subject pronouns
- Review the gender and number (singular/plural) of words and learn how the word endings might change due to phonetic modifications
Per Comunicare:
- Follow your CD to learn pronunciation

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read p. 3
- Do exercises on pp. 4-6*
* 4-6: page 4 through page 6

Homework: Complete homework from the Da Capo Lab Manual (Workbook) using your CDs and from Better Reading Italian. Upload your homework on Canvas

● Week 2 (September 6-9, September 5th is Labor Day)

From Da Capo, Chapter 2
Per Cominciare:
- Learn the vocabulary
Struttura:
- Learn the Imperfect Indicative also using your class notes on Canvas
- Learn how to use the Imperfect Indicative
- Learn about adjectives and noun agreement with adjectives
- Learn how the word endings might change due to phonetic modifications
- Learn the Indefinite Articles (Articoli Indeterminativi), also using your class notes
- Learn about buono and nessuno
- Review the numbers
- Learn how to talk about the whether
Per Comunicare:
- Follow your CD to learn pronunciation

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 7-9
- Do exercises on pp. 10-15

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Quiz! Take the first quiz on Canvas

● Week 3 (September 12-16)

From Da Capo, Chapter 3
Per Cominciare:
- Learn the vocabulary
Struttura:
- Learn the Present Perfect (Passato Prossimo) Indicative also using your class notes on Canvas
- Learn what Transitive and Intransitive verbs are
- Learn the two auxiliary verbs, essere and avere
- Learn the irregular Past Participles (Participi Pasati)
- Learn how to use the Present Perfect Indicative
- Learn the Definite Articles (Articoli Determinativi)

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read p. 16
- Do exercises on pp. 17-18

Homework: Begin working on the homework for Chapter 3 from Da Capo Lab Manual and from Better Reading Italian

● Week 4 (September 19-23)

From Da Capo, Chapter 3
Struttura:
- Learn the Compound Prepositions (Preposizioni Articolate)
- Learn how to use the Indefinite Articles and the Compound Prepositions, also using your class notes
- Learn about bello and quello
- Learn the Interrogatives
- Learn how to tell time
- Learn how to talk about days, months, seasons, and years

Per Comunicare:
- Follow your CD to learn pronunciation

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 19-20
- Do exercises on pp. 20-23

Homework: Complete homework from the Da Capo Lab Manual (Workbook) using your CDs and from Better Reading Italian. Upload your homework on Canvas

Quiz! Take the second quiz on Canvas
● Week 5 (September 26-30)

From Da Capo, Chapter 4
Per Cominciare:
- Learn the vocabulary
Struttura:
- Learn the difference between the Present Perfect (Passato Prossimo) and Imperfect Indicative also using your class notes on Canvas
- Learn Direct Object Pronouns
- Learn how Past Participles agree in gender and number in Intransitive verbs, or when Direct Object Pronouns are present in a sentence

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read p. 25
- Do exercises on pp. 26-27

Homework: Begin working on the homework for Chapter 4 from Da Capo Lab Manual and from Better Reading Italian

● Week 6 (October 3-7)

From Da Capo, Chapter 4
Struttura:
- Learn the negatives
- Learn Possessive Adjectives and Pronouns - Learn about bello and quello
- Learn the use of the Possessives
- Read about Natalia Ginzburg
- Read La Stanza
Per Comunicare:
- follow your CD to learn pronunciation

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 31-32
- Do exercises on pp. 32-36

Homework: Complete homework from the Da Capo Lab Manual (Workbook) using your CDs and from Better Reading Italian. Upload your homework on Canvas
Quiz! Take the third quiz on Canvas

● Week 7 (October 10-14)

Movie
Watch a movie in Italian of your choice and write a short summary in Italian of what you watched in about 100 words
• Week 8 (October 17-20, October 21<sup>st</sup> is Fall break)

**From Da Capo, Chapter 5**

*Per Cominciare:*
- Learn the vocabulary

*Struttura:*
- Learn the Indirect Object Pronouns also using your class notes
- Learn the verb *piacere* and how it is used
- Learn how Past Participles agree in gender and number in Intransitive verbs, or when Direct Object Pronouns are present in a sentence
- Learn Reflexive Verbs and Pronouns

**From Better Reading Italian:**
- Read p. 38
- Do exercises on pp. 39-42

*Homework:* Begin working on the homework for Chapter 5 from Da Capo Lab Manual and from Better Reading Italian.

• Week 9 (October 24-28)

**From Da Capo, Chapter 5**

*Struttura:*
- Learn the special suffixes also using your class notes
- Learn Indefinite Adjectives and Pronouns
- Learn the Partitive
- Learn the use of the Possessives
- Read about Natalia Ginzburg
- Read *La Stanza*

*Per Comunicare:*
- Follow your CD to learn pronunciation

**From Better Reading Italian:**
- Read pp. 43-44
- Do exercises on pp. 45-47

*Homework:* Complete homework from the Da Capo Lab Manual (Workbook) using your CDs and from Better Reading Italian

*Quiz!* Take the fourth quiz on Canvas
● Week 10 (October 31-November 4)

From Da Capo, Chapter 6
Per Cominciare:
- Learn the vocabulary
Struttura:
- Learn the Past Remote Indicative (Passato Remoto)
- Learn the irregular verbs for this tense
- Learn how the Present Perfect differs from the Past Remote
- Learn Reflexive Verbs and Pronouns

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 48-49
- Do exercises on pp. 49-51

Homework: Begin working on the homework for Chapter 6 from Da Capo Lab Manual and from Better Reading Italian

● Week 11 (November 7-11)

From Da Capo, Chapter 6
Struttura:
- Learn the Trapassato Prossimo (Past Perfect) and Trapassato Remoto (no English equivalent) Indicative
- Learn how to use these two new tenses
- Learn about ne your class notes
- Skip the Personal Pronouns, double forms
- Read La Stanza
Per Comunicare:
- Follow your CD to learn pronunciation

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 52-53
- Do exercises on pp. 53-57

Homework: Complete homework from the Da Capo Lab Manual (Workbook) using your CDs and from Better Reading Italian
Quiz! Take the fifth quiz on Canvas
● Week 12 (November 14-18)

From Da Capo, Chapter 7
Per Cominciare:
- Learn the vocabulary
Struttura:
- Learn the Future Indicative
- Learn the irregular verbs for this tense
- Learn how to use this tense
- Learn Reflexive Verbs and Pronouns

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 63-65
- Do exercises on pp. 65-69

Homework: Begin working on the homework for Chapter 7 from Da Capo Lab Manual and from Better Reading Italian

● Week 13 (November 21-22, Nov 23-25 is Thanksgiving break)

From Da Capo, Chapter 7
Struttura:
- Learn the Conditional Present and Past
- Learn how to use these two new tenses and this new mode also using your class notes
- Learn the Modal verbs, dovere, potere, volere
Per Comunicare:
- follow your CD to learn pronunciation

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 70-71
- Do exercises on pp. 72-76

Homework: Complete homework from the Da Capo Lab Manual (Workbook) using your CDs and Upload the exercises from Better Reading Italian
Quiz! Take the sixth quiz

● Week 14 (November 28- December 2)

From Better Reading Italian:
- Read pp. 77-78
- Do exercises on pp. 78-80
Homework: Upload the exercises from Better Reading Italian

● Week 15 (December 5-9)

Movie 2!

Please watch another Italian movie of your choice and write a short summary in Italian of about 100 words.