

ITALIAN Audio	DESCRIPTIONS
<u>Course Lessons:</u> La citta'nella storia	
<u>Course Lessons:</u> La salute comincia nel piatto	
Italian Fairy Tales - "Il Lupo e Le 7 Caprette"	Popular folk story that use Impergetto and passato prossimo tenses. Audio only. 8 minutes long.
<u>Il Punto</u>	Main textbook audio. Available from website http://lhc.mtsac.edu . Password is italy.
Italian Songs - Italian Songs- tapes (1-3)	
Italian Songs - Pavarotti – Volare	
<u>Just Listen n Learn</u>	
<u>Italian Fairy Tales</u> - "Pollicino"	

ITALIAN Internet Sites	DESCRIPTIONS
<u>BBC Languages - Italian</u>	http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/italian/
<u>Beginning Italian Exercises – Universtiy</u>	http://web.uvic.ca/hispanital/italian/italian100
<u>Cyberitalian</u>	http://www.cyberitalian.com
<u>Italian a UBC</u>	http://www2.arts.ubc.ca/italian Quizzes, songs, games and grammar exercises.
<u>Italian Course Online</u>	http://www.locuta.com/M_F_diversi.html
<u>Italian Picture Dictionary</u>	http://www.pdictionary.com/
<u>Learn Italian Online</u>	http://www.iluss.it/
<u>Museum, Galleria degli Uffizi, Florence</u>	http://www.uffizi.firenze.it/
<u>Newspaper Agency ANSA</u>	http://www.ansa.it/
<u>Oggi-Domani – Learn Italian online</u>	http://www.oggi-domani.com/#
<u>Quia – Practice Italian by Subject</u>	http://www.quia.com/shared/italian/
<u>Quizlet for Italian</u>	http://quizlet.com/subject/italian/
<u>RAI international- Online</u>	http://undp.org/missions/italy/news.htm Links to all the radios and T.V shows.
<u>The internet movie database</u>	http://www.jmdb.com For Italian culture through Cinema students.
<u>University of British Columbia</u>	http://www2.arts.ubc.ca/italian/home.htm Grammar resources and activities
<u>Corsi d'Italiano Multimedial</u>	http://homes.chass.utoronto.ca/~ngargano/

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<p><u>Amarcord</u> Audio: Italian, English Subtitles: English 1974 127 minutes</p>	<p>In this carnivalesque portrait of provincial Italy during the fascist period, Fellini satirizes his youth and turns daily life into a circus of rituals, sensations, and emotions. Adolescent desires, male fantasies, and political repartee are sent to Nina Rota's music in this beautiful transfer of Amarcord.</p>
<p><u>Facing Windows</u> Audio: Italian Subtitles: English, French 2004 106 minutes ***May Contain Scenes of nudity***</p>	<p>A young working –class wife and mother, Giovanna has no time for the senile elderly man her husband has rescued from the streets. But as she uncovers the stranger's secrets, it unlocks a freedom that will lead her to arms of a neighbor she secretly adores.</p>
<p><u>Francesco's Italy: Top to Toe (2006)</u> Audio: English and Italian mix Subtitles: English</p>	<p>Following his sumptuous series on Venice, Francesco da Mosto celebrates the art and beauty of Italy - its cathedrals, churches, palaces, opera houses, paintings, sculpture and music. It is a story of the Italy we all know and love, enhanced by a look at the secret side of the country that only an insider can show us. Da Mosta reveals the full glories of Renaissance Italy and the country's astonishing cultural diversity, which was only recently unified under one flag. Born into a distinguished family, with a Venetian father and a Sicilian mother, what better guide could there be than one who knows and loves this magnificent country?</p> <p>In the series, da Mosto drives his Alfa Romeo Spider the length of Italy, from North to South, exploring the architecture and traditions in different regions.</p> <p><u>During Episode 1</u>, "The Romantic North", da Mosto left his native Venice and his family, and visited the Fiat Factory in Turin, Romeo and Juliet's balcony in Verona and the city of Milan.</p> <p><u>During Episode 2</u>, "The Garden of Italy", da Mosto visited a 19th century reproduction of Michaelangelo's David in Florence, the city of Siena and the town of Assisi.</p> <p><u>In Episode 3</u>, entitled "The Heart of Italy" da Mosto visited the Trevi Fountain, explores Italians love/hate relationship with Mussolini, visiting the city of Sabaudia, Rome and Naples, its underground secrets and the beautiful Chapel of St. Severo.</p> <p><u>In Episode 4</u>, "The Land of My Mother", da Mosto travelled to Sicily where he climbed to the summit of Mount Etna, visited the Trulli buildings and explored the Capuchin catacombs of Palermo with its array of mummified bodies – before being reunited with his family at last.</p>

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<p><u>I'm Not Scared</u> Audio: Italian. Subtitles: English, Spanish 2004 1 hr. 50 min.</p>	<p>During a record summer heat wave in 1978, a 9-year-old boy, Michele (Cristiano), living in a remote village in Sicily discovers that another boy, Filippo (Di Pierro), is being held captive in a hole underneath an abandoned house. As he investigates further, he discovers that the adults (including his own parents) of his idyllic little town are all involved in a nefarious ransom scheme...</p>
<p><u>Il Postino- The Postman</u> Audio: Italian, French Subtitles: English 1994 Rated: PG</p>	<p>The life of the fisherman Mario changes dramatically when the famous Chilean writer Pablo Neruda settles on his little Italian island. Living in exile because of his political beliefs, Neruda needs a postman to deliver the huge quantities of mail sent to him by his admirers and Mario takes the job since he hates fishing anyway. The two become friends and Neruda helps the shy and clumsy Mario to win the heart of Beatrice, the beautiful waitress at the village's inn, by showing him the beauty and power of poetry.</p>
<p><u>La Dolce Vita</u> Audio: Italian Subtitles: English, Spanish 174 minutes Plus over an hour of bonus features (Disc 2)</p>	<p>Marcello is a young playboy journalist who spends his days between celebrities and rich people, seeking for ephemeral joy in parties and sex. When a famous film star comes to Rome, he does everything he can to meet her, and when he does, he is totally charmed by her.</p>
<p><u>La Promesse</u> Audio: French, Italian Subtitles: English, Italian 1996 93 minutes, color Not Rated</p>	<p>After his father kills a young man, a 15 year-old boy who has never known wrong from right finds himself at the center of a moral crisis. This boy must choose between his love for his father and the demands of his awakening conscience.</p>
<p><u>La Strada</u> Audio: Italian Subtitles: English 108 minutes</p>	<p>Gelsomina is sold by her very poor mother to Zampanò, an itinerant strongman. She follows him on the road ("la strada") and helps him during his shows. Zampanò ill-treats her. She meets "The Fool", a funambulist. She feels like going with him, but he puts confusion in her mind by pointing out that perhaps Zampanò is in fact in love with her ...</p>
<p><u>Life Is Beautiful</u> Audio: Italian, English Subtitles: English Rated PG-13 for holocaust-related thematic elements.</p>	<p>At the center of the fable is Guido (ROBERTO BENIGNI), an enchanting individual with childlike innocence and grand dreams of owning his own book shop. It's 1939, and he has come to the Tuscan town of Arezzo with his poet friend Ferruccio (SERGIO BUSTRIC). With unabashed humor and joy, the two seek fortune and romance, ignoring the growing anti-Semitism and Fascist government that surrounds them. Guido falls in love with Dora (NICOLETTA BRASCHI), a beautiful young school teacher, and a fairy tale romance ensues.</p>

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<p><u>Open City</u> Audio: Italian Subtitles: English 1945 105 minutes, Not Rated</p>	<p>Filmed on the streets of Rome in the first weeks of the Allied liberation and employing a number of non-actors in supporting roles, Open City placed itself at the vanguard of the Italian neorealist movement</p>
<p><u>Peace Child</u> (2000) Audio: German, English, French, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, Arabic and Chinese Subtitles: English May contain objectionable material</p>	<p>Don and Carol Richardson respond to the call of Christ. They carefully prepare their mission and journey in a canoe to a remote rain forest inhabited by some of the world's most primitive people. When a inter-tribal warfare breaks out, the battles continue until a warring chief offers his son as a means of bringing lasting peace.</p>
<p><u>Respiro</u> Audio: Italian. Subtitles: English 2002 95 minutes ***May Contain Scenes of nudity***</p>	<p>Grazia (Golino) is a mother of three who spends suffocating days packing fish while her husband Pietro (Amato) is at sea. Her oft-erratic behavior leads Pietro into thinking she may need medical attention, and he prepares to send her off to a psychiatric institute in Milan. Their son Pasquale (Casisa), the one person who understand his mother the most, vows to do whatever it takes to foil his father's plan.</p>
<p><u>Rocco & His Brothers</u> Audio: Italian Subtitles: English 1960 176 minutes, B&W, Not Rated</p>	<p>Four poor Italian brothers and their mother leave their country home and move to Milan with hopes of improving their bitter fortune. The family is thrown into chaos when two of the brothers are torn apart when two of the brothers are torn apart by their love of the same woman and their struggles to succeed in a viciously competitive world.</p>
<p><u>Seven Beauties</u> Audio: English, Italian Subtitles: English 115 minutes, Not Rated</p>	<p>A small time Italian crook struggles to support his seven sisters in this dark comedy about the war. As a prisoner in a German concentration camp he seduces the commandant to save his own life.</p>

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<p><u>Swept Away</u> Restricted to Italian Cinema Students only (Sit in last rows due to subject matter) Audio: Italian Subtitles: English 116 minutes</p>	<p><i>Students need to show syllabus to prove Italian Cinema student. Controversial film about sex, love, politics and role reversals.</i></p>
<p><u>The Bicycle Thief</u> Audio: Italian, English Subtitles : English B&W – 89 minutes 1949</p>	<p>Widely considered a landmark Italian film, Vittorio De Sica's tale of a man who relies on his bicycle to do his job during Rome's post-World War II depression earned a special Oscar for its devastating power. Antonio Ricci, unemployed for over two years, is overjoyed when he's finally given a job putting up posters. There's a catch, though - he needs a bicycle as a requirement of the job, so he pawns the family linen to get a pawned bicycle back. He goes off to his first day's work, truly happy for the first time in years - and the title of the film gives away what happens next.....</p>
<p><u>The Last Kiss</u> (L'Ultimo Bacio) Audio: Italian Subtitles: English, Spanish 2002 1 hr. 52 min. *May Contain Objectionable Material R for language, sexuality and some drug use.</p>	<p>Stylish comedy that looks at the battle of the sexes. A wife, a child, and a house all seem like too much responsibility for a guy who's afraid to grow up. He is not alone. His buddies are also suffering with their own growing pains, and none of them are ready to settle down without a fight. As the romantic entanglements tighten, this amusingly self-centered group of guys will keep you entertained as they struggle to learn the complicated lessons of life and love.</p>
<p><u>Three Brothers</u> Audio: Italian Subtitles: English 1980 113 minutes, color – Rated PG</p>	<p>Following his wife's death, a man summons their sons from across Italy to the family farm. Raffaele is a judge risking assassination for his current case; Rocco is an ideological counselor at a correctional institute for boys; Nicola is a factory worker facing labor disputes. Once home, each must deal with the skeletons in their closets and the dreams they never dared pursue. This film is a mainstay of Italian cinema.</p>

Italian Software	DESCRIPTIONS
<u>The Rosetta Stone Italian</u>	Basic vocabulary practice through listening or reading in games. (Begin./Interm.)
<u>Tell Me More</u>	A complete language-learning multimedia program that specializes in pronunciation, with 3D animation, speech recognition, and spoken error tracking. It also has exercises to work on grammar, vocabulary, reading, writing, listening and recording. <i>Create your own User ID.</i> (Begin./ Interm./ Adv.)
<u>World Talk Italiano</u>	Has a variety of games to practice vocabulary and dialogues; you can also take dictation exercises or use your computer's microphone to repeat after the audio and compare your pronunciation to the recording.
<u>Muzzy - Italian Language Interactive.</u>	These fun, learning games take MUZZY from the spoken word toward written language. They focus on vocabulary, spelling, word recognition, usage and grammar. This highly regarded educational software accompanies the video set. It features a "see-listen-and-learn" technique to learning the Italian language via the character of Muzzy and his animated adventures, as well as songs.