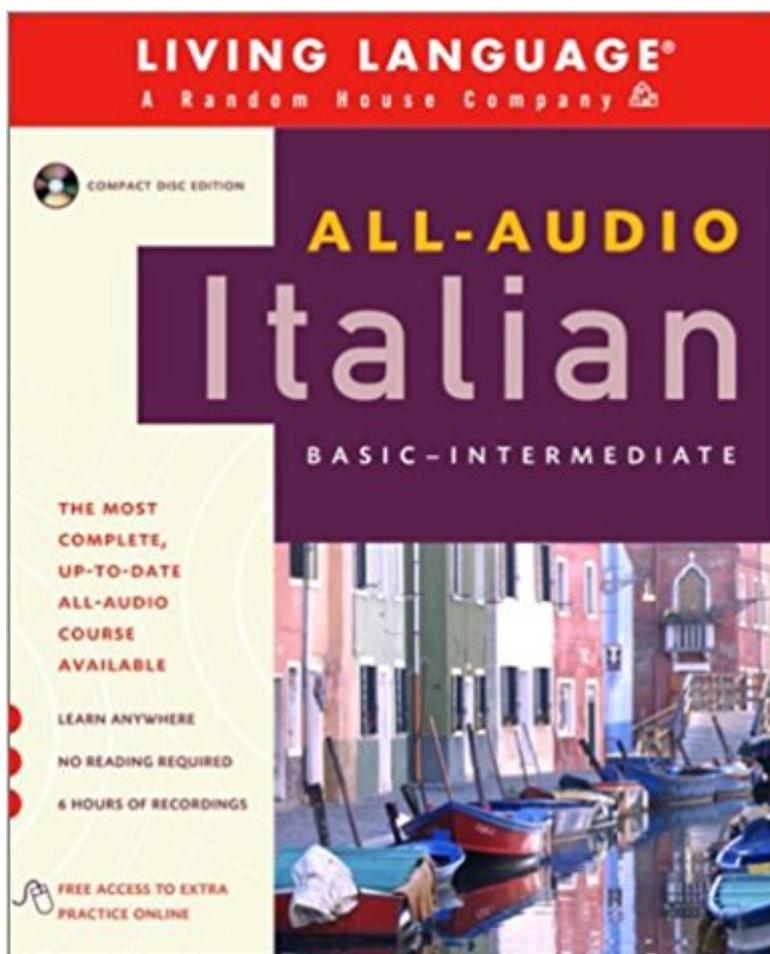


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# All-Audio Italian: Basic-Intermediate, Compact Disc Edition (Italian Edition)



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This is a great refresher CD, but do not start here as a beginner! you will be lost. There is very little time inbetween the lines, and you need to be quick at thinking up answers.

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This was an excellent choice for me to learn basic Italian phrases for travel. I listened to the cassette in the car and used the language book while on vacation. The product was in excellent condition. I had seen a language book in a store for much more than this item, which included the book and the cassette series.

Logically organized (for tourists) with a consistent lesson-to-lesson format which includes essential grammar, listening to, then practice in pronunciation. Very useful vocabulary included. Helpful cultural/custom tidbits add to its practical value and help to keep it interesting. Doesn't "bog down". If you are a visual learner, you'll need some other companion workbook or text because, except for a small, relatively useless pamphlet, it's true to its title "All-Audio Italian". Get a dictionary, too. Molto buono.

This set is a great way to get an overview of the basic elements of Italian. The CDs cover a lot more than simple declarative sentences--you learn the vocabulary and tenses required to speak and understand complex concepts like "He would have arrived 3 hours earlier, but it began to rain." Things like that make my brain hurt. The concepts covered are explained clearly by an English

speaker and then exercises use native Italian speakers (male and female). I had to listen to each CD at least 3 times before I could respond correctly to the prompts. So, it gets a bit boring. I began to almost dread getting in my car--soon I would be conjugating *essere*, again! But, I did learn eventually, making the gain worth the pain. My set had a few updates to keep the set relevant: covering the computers and internet as well as the switch to the Euro. The new content is more rushed and has poorer sound quality. My next step will be either the Plimseur CDs or Rosetta Stone, or both!

I found this program very useful. I've been studying Italian on my own on and off, so I'm not a complete newbee. However, last time I picked up a course book/took a class was 3 years ago. I don't have time to read books, so I needed something I could do in the car, and this program is perfect for that!!! They start with really basic vocab and grammar and provide words and phrases for various situations. The speakers are easy to understand. They give you plenty of time to repeat phrases/words after them. Explanations are very understandable. They don't "bombard" you with a lot of new words at a time. The vocab in the dialogues and excercises is always explained first (i.e., they don't suddenly use new words). They even give cultural tips and info. The best thing - you don't have to read anything!!!

I have been listening to these CDs every morning and night on my commute, and it's been amazing how quickly I'm grasping Italian. It takes a certain amount of concentration, and you have to review the little handbook to figure out some of the words and phrases that the Italian speakers are saying on the CD, but before you know it, you start to figure it out. I'm amazed now how well I understand some of the earlier lessons when I go back and listen to them. With some commitment, this program can really teach you to speak.

I used this tape collection in my car after having completed several beginner level tape sets. The commentary prepared me for my first trip to Italy. The instruction is clear; the drills good. Although at first I found it impossible to respond to the exercises, I could do so with some skill on my third time. I use the set along with some books and other other intermediate Italian tapes. Admittedly, the commentary I once found so interesting is now a little tiresome. This set could be improved by having the native speaker in the exercises speak more distinctly.

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