

COURSE CONTENT – ITALIAN SHORT COURSE

TOPIC	LANGUAGE FUNCTIONS	LANGUAGE FOCUS
First encounters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greeting others Introducing oneself using simple language & fixed expressions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alphabet Brief introduction to Italian pronunciation Formal and informal greeting and addressing others (e.g., <i>Ciao, come stai?</i>... – Hi, how are you?; <i>Buongiorno</i> – Good morning) Basic expressions to introduce oneself (e.g., <i>Mi chiamo...</i> - My name is)
Getting to know each other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Giving and asking about basic personal details Socialising using basic words / expressions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Countries & nationalities Personal pronouns Cardinal numbers 0-20 Simple expressions used to socialise (e.g., <i>Piacere...</i> - Pleased to meet you)
Family & Friends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introducing & giving basic information about a friend / family member Providing basic description of others using simple words / fixed expressions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The verb <i>avere</i> Cardinal numbers 21-100 Simple expressions to introduce & describe others (e.g., <i>Questa è mia moglie...</i> This is my wife)
Out & about	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking about places in the neighbourhood / city using simple words Providing a basic description of a place or location Understanding / following basic instructions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic prepositions of place (e.g., <i>Dietro...</i> – behind) Simple expressions to ask about places: (e.g., <i>Scusi, dove sono i negozi?</i> – Excuse me, where are the shops?) Basic expressions to give instructions (e.g., <i>Dieci minuti a piedi...</i> It's a 10-minute walk)
Going places	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding simple numbers & dates Asking and telling the time & day of the week Asking about / telling arrival and departure times 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basic prepositions of place (2) Simple expressions to talk about arrival & departure times (e.g., <i>A che ora parte il prossimo treno per Roma?</i> – What time does the next train for Rome leave?) Basic expressions to buy a ticket (e.g., <i>Un biglietto per...</i> - A ticket to...)
Coffee anyone?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding a simple menu Making simple drink & food orders Using basic language to ask about food 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simple expressions to describe food / drinks (e.g., <i>Il gelato è buonissimo ...</i> The ice-cream is delicious) Basic expressions to order a drink / a simple meal (e.g., <i>Prendo...</i> I'll have...)