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# Speak Italian with just 50 words

If you are holidaying in Italy for a week or two you may not fancy a whole language course. But what about a *taste* of Italian? Just enough to help you get about and not get lost, know the lingo for shopping, have a meal without indigestion, even meet and greet the locals.

With 50 useful words plus a few short sentences and some inspired body language you can be part of the action!

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Fly with Andy and Liz to Italy, and see how many words you can pick up.

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- 50 NEW WORDS THE ONES THAT YOU'LL NEED. They'll make all the difference.
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## Words you may know already

ciao hello, bye buongiorno good morning, good day prego, per favore please scusi excuse me, I am sorry grazie thank you sì yes no no due two grande big domani tomorrow Ia spiaggia the beach il supermercato the supermarket un caffè a coffee un cappuccino a coffee with frothy milk un espresso a (small) black coffee vino rosso/bianco, della casa red/white wine, house wine una birra a beer acqua minerale mineral water arrivederci goodbye 3

#### Bonus words you don't have to learn

andiamo! let's go! mamma mia! oh dear! calcio football altro? something else? basta così that's all, nothing else va bene that's fine, that's OK qualcosa da bere? something to drink? qualcosa da mangiare? something to eat? manzo beef agnello lamb vitello veal

# On the CD ...

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### Meet and greet, giving your name, having a coffee

ciao hello buongiorno good morning, good day come sta? how are you? grazie thank you bene well, OK molto bene very well sono ... I am, my name is ... arrivederci goodbye ciao bye/cheers
sì yes
un caffè a coffee
un cappuccino a coffee with frothy milk
un espresso a (small) black coffee
prego please
per favore please
due two

#### Getting about, finding your way

dov'è ...? where is ...? dove c'è ...? where is there ...? l'autobus the bus scusi excuse me la fermata dell'autobus the bus stop il treno the train la stazione the station la banca the bank il bancomat the A.T.M., cashpoint il mercato the market il supermercato the supermarket la strada principale the main road

la spiaggia the beach il bagno the bathroom, i.e. the toilets dov'è il bagno? where are the toilets? **il gabinetto** the toilet un negozio per ... a shop for ... dove sono i negozi? where are the shops? vino wine diritto straight ahead a destra on the right la strada the street a sinistra on the left lontano, lontana far cambio di direzione (exit for) change of direction

#### I want ..., a quick test

voglio I want vorrei I would like no no non not, don't questo this, this one bravo! good, well done! andare to go voglio andare a ... I want to go to ... comprare to buy voglio comprare ... I want to buy ... in autobus by bus andiamo let's go, we go calcio football mamma mia! good gracious, oh dear! 5

### Shopping ... or having a drink

ha ...? avete ...? do you have ...? caro expensive economico cheap grande big piccolo small più more meno less mezzo chilo half a kilo qualcos'altro? something else? la cosa thing altro? another thing, something else? una birra a beer e and nient'altro nothing else, that's all niente nothing basta così that's all uno due tre quattro cinque sei 1 23 4 5 6 sette otto nove dieci undici dodici 89 7 10 11 12 quanto costa ...? how much is ...? il biglietto the ticket molto, molti much, many acqua minerale/frizzante mineral/sparkling water 6

(solo) un po' (just) a little un po' di più a little more E Lei è? and you are?

## When? At what time?

a che ora? at what time? alle ... (number) at ... (o'clock) adesso now tra cinque minuti in five minutes domani tomorrow va bene that's fine, that's OK

### I have a problem ...

un momento one moment la carta di credito the (credit) card qui here ho I have ho un problema I have a problem non ho soldi I don't have any money

### At a restaurant ...

qualcosa da bere? something to drink? what would you
like to drink?
vino rosso/bianco, della casa red/white, house wine
un bicchiere a glass
una bottiglia a bottle
pesce fish
pollo chicken
carne meat
manzo - agnello - vitello beef - lamb - veal
qualcosa da mangiare? something to eat? what would
you like to eat?
buono good
mi piace I like
non mi piace I don't like
il conto the bill

## Your 50 new words

well. OK bene very well molto bene the bus l'autobus the bus stop la fermata dell'autobus the train il treno the station la stazione the bank la banca an A.T.M., a cashpoint un bancomat the market il mercato the main road la strada principale the toilets, the bathroom il bagno a shop for ... un negozio per ... straight ahead diritto on the right a destra on the left a sinistra far lontano, lontana change of direction cambio di direzione not, don't non this, this one questo good, well done! bravo! to go andare to buy comprare by in expensive caro cheap economico small piccolo more più less meno half a kilo mezzo chilo anything else? qualcos'altro? and e nothing else nient'altro numbers 1-12 uno due tre quattro cinque sei sette otto nove dieci undici dodici the ticket il biglietto much, a lot/many molto/molti just a little solo un po' at what time? a che ora? at ... (o'clock) alle ... (number)

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now adesso

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(in) five minutes (tra) cinque minuti a moment un momento the credit card la carta di credito here qui a glass un bicchiere a bottle una bottiglia fish pesce chicken pollo meat carne good buono the bill il conto

## Your quick sentences

How are you? **Come sta?** I am ... My name is ... **Sono ...** And you (are) ...? **E Lei (è) ...?** 

Where is ...? Where is there ...? **Dov'è ...? Dove c'è ...?** Where is the bathroom/are the toilets? **Dov'è il bagno?** Where are the shops? **Dove sono i negozi?** 

Excuse me, I am sorry. Scusi.

I want ... Voglio ... I don't want ... Non voglio ... I would like ... Vorrei ... I want to go to ... Voglio andare a ... I want to buy ... Voglio comprare ...

Do you have ...? Ha ...? Avete ...?

How much is ...? Quanto costa ...? That's fine. That's OK. Va bene.

I have ... Ho ... I don't have ... Non ho ... I have a problem. Ho un problema. I don't have (any) money. Non ho soldi.

I like it, I like... Mi piace ...

I don't like it, I don't like ... Non mi piace ...

#### 50 words of Italian to say 100 things!

... and when you're back from your trip – how did it go? Bene? Molto bene! Need another word or two? e-mail me via my website www.elisabeth-smith.co.uk