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Parliamo Italiano!: A Communicative Approach



Synopsis

Not only does *Parliamo Italiano* provide a strong ground in the four ACTFL skills – reading, writing, speaking, and listening – but it also emphasises cultural fluency. The text follows a more visual approach by integrating maps, photos, realia, and cultural notes that offer a vibrant image of Italy. The chapters are organised around functions and activities. Cultural information has been updated to make the material more relevant. In addition, discussions on functional communications give readers early success in the language and encourage them to use it in practical situations.

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Customer Reviews

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Branciforte's Italian textbooks are my favorite! I loved the first edition so much I purchased the most recent edition also. (Has minor updates) The text teaches the language and also highlights common mistakes and grammar details that are not obvious to non native speakers.

This is a very good book for learning Italian. It explains grammatical & cultural points clearly & has many exercises to help retain the new information & new vocabulary. I like that it has a communicative approach.

Very good book. However I need to deselect it from an old IPAD so that I can reload to a current iPad(I received a msg that "Liscence limited was exceeded"). Does anyone know how to do it?

The format was very difficult to follow. The chapters are broken into tiny sections that goes all over the place, from a short vocab list to a grammar rule and then jumping to other things.

The quality of this product was deplorable. The book's spine was coming off and all the pages were falling. I can not use this book. I have never been more upset or disappointed with an order.

Very good textbook for beginners! Very useful and explains all the rules very clearly, bright and has a lot of vocabulary! Love, love, love this textbook!

Great book. It is easy to follow and learn. In my college class we only covered like 4-5 chapters. However by the end of the year we did learn basic italian because this book makes it so much easy to follow.

I have been using this book for two quarters! The text is enhanced by illustrations, useful expressions, cultural information, and travel information as well. Great for someone taking a college class or self learning the language.

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