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| **Name of Course:** | Italian Beginners | **Course Book:** | Nuovo Espresso 1 |
| **Number of Lessons:** | 10 | **Chapters:** | 1-6 |

**Overview of the course:**

This course is for complete beginners of Italian with no previous knowledge at all. You will learn the foundation of the language from the alphabet to the present tense, to talk about yourself, your surroundings, your interests, and to communicate in shops, hotels and while visiting a town.

The course uses a course book, but the teacher will also supplement the book with their own resources. All the 4 main skills will be covered - Listening, writing, speaking, and reading.

We know it is quite difficult as a complete beginner to use the language in speaking activities, but you will be given the support needed to practice in a relaxed and safe environment.

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| **Topics** | **Language Structure / Grammar Points** |
| Greetings and introductions  The alphabet  Numbers 1-100  Personal details  Nationalities  Ordering drinks  Expressing wishes  Speaking on the phone  Talking about work  Talking about activities in your spare time Inviting people | Preferences  Shopping  Hotel booking  Describing a town  Directions  Basic questions and answers  Names of letters and sounds, pronunciation Subject pronouns  Formal ‘LEI’ and informal ‘TU’  Articles  Simple prepositions  Masculine / feminine nouns and adjectives Present tense of verbs Essere (to be) and Avere (to have)  Present tense of regular and irregular verbs Possessives  Reflexives  Modal verbs: Dovere (have to/must) |