

ITALIAN – INTRODUCTORY 11

Description

Italian Introductory 11 has been developed to offer an opportunity for students who did not begin Italian in the elementary grades to enter Italian at the secondary level. Italian Introductory 11 is an intensive course, designed to cover essential learning standards from Grades 5 to 10 in an accelerated time frame in order to prepare students for Italian 11. It should be noted that this course does not replace the richness of the regular Italian 5-10 curriculum.

It is assumed that students would have limited to no background in Italian prior to enrolment. However, as contexts vary, districts may use their discretion with regard to admission criteria for this course. Enrolment in Italian Introductory 11 is not limited to Grade 11 students, and there are no prerequisites for this course.



BIG IDEAS

Listening and viewing with intent supports our acquisition and understanding of a new language.

Stories help us to acquire language and **understand the world** around us.

Expressing ourselves in a new language requires courage, risk taking, and perseverance.

Exploring diverse **forms of cultural expression** allows us to experience and appreciate cultural diversity.

Acquiring a new language provides a unique opportunity to access and interact with diverse communities.

Learning Standards

Curricular Competencies	Content
<p><i>Students are expected to be able to do the following:</i></p> <p>Thinking and communicating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Recognize letter sounds and common intonation patternsRecognize how choice of words affects meaningComprehend key information in speech and other textsDerive meaning from a variety of textsUse intonation and tone to convey meaningUse language-learning strategies to increase understandingInterpret non-verbal and verbal cuesComprehend and retell simple storiesRespond to questions and simple commandsParticipate in conversations and interactionsExchange ideas and information, both orally and in writingSeek clarification and verify meaningShare information using the presentation format best suited to their own and others' diverse abilities	<p><i>Students are expected to know the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Italian alphabet and letter patternsItalian phonemesgender and numbercommon, high-frequency vocabulary, sentence structures, and expressions, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none">types of questionsdescriptions of people, objects, and locationspersonal interests, beliefs and opinionspast, present, and future time framesFirst Peoples perspectives connecting language and culture, including oral histories, identity, and placeItalian cultural festivals and celebrationscommon elements of storiescontributions of Italian Canadians, past and presentcultural practices in various Italian communitiesethics of cultural appropriation and plagiarism



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Learning Standards (continued)

Curricular Competencies	Content
<p>Personal and social awareness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engage in experiences with Italian people and communities• Consider personal, shared, or others' experiences, perspectives, and worldviews through a cultural lens• Recognize First Peoples perspectives and knowledge, other ways of knowing, and local cultural knowledge	