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Merlonghi, Merlonghi, Tursi, O'Connor

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Lessons 1–16 IT 1.042

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Abbona-Sneider, Borra, Pausini IT 1.043

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Supplementary Language Study Recordings

Acquerello italiano

IT 1.017

60-minute audiocassettes containing songs, interviews, and cultural information about Italy; a tapescript and a study guide accompany each cassette; study supplement contains listening comprehension exercises, crossword puzzles, and an answer key.

Avventura

IT 1.005

Italy, past and present; a fiction series designed for beginning-intermediate students; tells of a young Roman couple at a moment of crisis in their personal lives; a second story deals with a young Italian and his romantic daydreams; the program contains twenty-five short episodes, each followed by a listening comprehension exercise; the book includes the text of the episodes, idioms, grammar explanations, written and oral exercises, and a short synopsis tying the episodes together into a single storyline; a pronunciation section, a list of regular and irregular verbs, and answer keys are at the end of the book; the teacher's guide contains useful suggestions and comprehension exercises on the recordings.

^{*}Also available are textbooks and audio programs used in past Boston College language courses.

Average episode: 5–8 minutes Total time: 3 hours 6 minutes

Buongiorno Italia

IT 1.017

A program for beginners in Italian, based entirely on conversations and interviews with Italians recorded in Italy; cassettes contain pronunciation practice, a selection of the conversations printed in the book, and exercises for student participation; accompanying book includes the text of the conversations and interviews, explanations and notes on the language, information about Italy, and numerous exercises; video series, teacher's guide, and "notes for teachers" also available.

Average unit: 9–10 minutes

Total time: 2 hours and 45 minutes

Canta che ti passa: Imparare l'italiano con le canzoni

IT 1.035 CD

15-unit text © 2000 Alma Certosa srl with accompanying audio CD of contemporary Italian songs for beginning and intermediate language learners; text provides communicative activities for language learning in a classroom setting as well as games, cloze activities, tests, comprehension and production exercises, crossword puzzles, etc; activities based on songs by the following artists: Claudio Baglioni, Leandro Barsotti, Lucio Battisti, Edoardo Bennato, Angelo Branduardi, Luca Carboni, Lucio Dalla, Sergio Endrigo, Rino Gaetano, Jovanotti, Gino Paoli, Paola Turci, Antonello Venditti; artists' biographies and teachers' guide included in the text.

Total time: approx. 58 minutes

Circling the Globe with Speech: Italian

IT 1.003

Narratives of 6–8 minutes in length; primarily designed for listening comprehension practice and cultural enrichment; each narrator is an actual student from the city named; the speech is informal, and the language, while clear and distinct, is normal, everyday speech; text available.

Total time: 37 minutes

Subjects:

Samolaco Firenze Milano e San Remo Napoli e Pompei Milano Pisa

Dialoghi simpatici

IT 1.018

A graded introductory reader for beginning students; 30 dialogues dealing with a variety of topics that are traditionally part of the beginning-level curriculum; accompanying text includes comprehension exercises, free-response exercises, vocabulary and grammar review exercises; Teacher's Guide includes vocabulary lists, cultural notes, and answer key to exercises.

Total time: 29 minutes 26 seconds

Foreign Service Institute Italian

Basic (IT 1.010)

Advanced (IT 1.011)

Twelve basic cassettes and eleven advanced cassettes with accompanying book

In giro per la letteratura

IT 1.027

Instructor-use-only audiocassette to stimulate class discussion of classical Italian literary texts as well as advertisements, songs, film excerpts, political speeches, and nightclub sketches included in the text *In giro per la letteratura* by Elizabeth Giansiracusa and Kenneth Berri © 1996 Heinle & Heinle.

Total time: 22 minutes

L'Italia dal vivo

IT 1.016

An intermediate course in Italian based on conversations and interviews with Italians in Italy; cassettes contain conversations printed in the book and exercises for student participation; accompanying book includes the texts of the

conversations and interviews, explanations and notes on the language, information about Italy and numerous exercises; tapescript of exercises also available.

Average unit: 9 minutes

Total time: approx. 3 hours

Journey in Italy

IT 1.001

A series of short dialogues (50) on daily life subjects; narrated by native speakers; excellent for comprehension and intonation; the illustrated text contains the dialogues in Italian; a separate booklet contains English translation.

49 minutes

Just Listen 'n Learn Italian

IT 1.020

Conversational review program for intermediate-advanced students; features on-location recordings; focuses on speaking, listening, and reading skills needed for everyday communication; includes text, instructor's manual.

Total time: approx. 3 hours

Nastroteca: La lingua italiana per stranieri

IT 1.008

5 cassettes with book of exercises.

Average cassette: 42 minutes
Total time: 8 hours 24 minutes

Per essere felice insieme

IT 1.004

Canzoni italiani tradizionali, folk e moderne; fifteen songs; words are slowly read, then each song is sung; afterwards, a series of simple questions is asked of each song and answers are given in support of student's response; the booklet contains the songs in Italian, with their English translations as well as the questions and answers, some grammar points and other comments.

71 minutes

La pronunzia dell'italiano insegnata agli stranieri

IT 1.002

Cassette and text available

27 minutes

Punti di vista

IT 1.009

1976 BBC publication; twenty interviews recorded in natural settings on two cassettes; book available.

Average interview: 25 minutes Total time: 1 hour 40 minutes

Understanding Spoken Italian

IT 1.001

LP recording; eighteen lessons to aid in comprehension of the spoken language; a phrase is spoken by a native speaker, then a pause for student repetition, followed by a repeat by another speaker; the printed manual shows the key words of each lesson to aid in audiovisual assimilation; an Italian–English/English–Italian dictionary and an English translation of each lesson are also provided.

25 minutes

Civilization, Culture, and History Recordings

Carletti, Francesco

IT 4.004

Adventures of a 17th century merchant, traveler and slave trader; impressions of places and people in West Indies, China, etc.

Castellani, Renato

IT 4.002

Interview with director who talks about theatre vs. films as art form, technical problems of both, and the Italian emigrant – his problems, his feelings and his cultural attachment and identification with Italy.

Fellini, Federico

IT 4.001

Interview with Fellini who speaks naturally of his life and career and talks about some of his films

Humanism in Florence

IT 4.008

Lecture by Dante Della Terza given at Boston College Honors Library, February 25, 1985

60 minutes

Tribuna Elettorale

IT 4.006

Gianni Granzotte, G. Saragat speaking on political and social problems of the working class; also a reading of a statement by Togliatti; questions by newspapermen from *Avanti, Tribuna, Secolo d'italia, Il Tempo* and *Momento-Sera*.

Music Recordings

Alexia

Gli occhi grandi della luna IT-CD 3.026

Alice

Falsi allarmi IT 3.099

Biagio Antonacci

Convivendo — parte 1 IT-CD 3.025

Claudio Baglioni

Assolo

IT 3.095.001/.002/.003

Claudio Baglioni

Tutto Tutto Tutto IT 3.097

Lucio Battisti

L'apparenza IT 3.100

Lucio Battisti

Lucio Battisti IT 3.090

Lucio Battisti

Pensieri e parole IT-CD 3.001

Andrea Bocelli

Viaggio italiano IT-CD 3.009

Alex Britti

it.pop IT-CD 3.015

Maria Callas

Maria Callas sings Operatic Arias MISC-CD 3.001

Canta che ti passa

IT 1.035 CD

Le Canzoni del Sole 88

IT 3.098

Luca Carboni

Luca Carboni IT 3.101

Caterina Caselli

"Insieme a te non ci sto più" IT-iTcd 3.001

Christmas Around the World

MISC-CD 3.006

Christmas in Europe

MISC-CD 3.005

Cinema Serenade

MISC-CD 3.009

Riccardo Cocciante

I grandi successi di Riccardo Cocciante IT 3.094

Fabio Concato

Fabio Cancato
IT 3.091

Fabio Concato

Senza avvisare IT 3.092

Lucio Dalla

Canciones
IT-CD 3.006

Lucio Dalla

Lucio Dalla IT 3.096

Fabrizio De André

Fabrizo De André IT 3.104

Francisco De Gregori

Viva l'Italia IT 3.105

Massimo Di Cataldo

Dieci IT-CD 3.011

Giorgio Gaber

I grandi successi originali IT-CD 3.019.001 / .002

Giorgia

Greatest Hits IT-CD 3.016

Italian Café

IT-CD 3.024

Italian Songs

IT-CD 3.013.001/.002

Jovanotti

Lorenzo 1994 IT-CD 3.004

Ruggero Leoncavallo

Pagliacci IT-CD 3.021.002

Luciano Ligabue

Fuori come va? IT-CD 3.027

Lùna Pop

...squèrez?

Pietro Mascagni

Cavalleria Rusticana IT-CD 3.021.001

Marco Masini

Marco Masini IT-CD 3.002

Gianni Morandi

Questa è la storia "Scende la pioggia" IT-CD 3.008

Gianna Nannini

Bomboloni IT-CD 3.020

Note di Natale

IT-CD 3.007

Laura Pausini

Le cose che vivi IT-CD 3.022

Luciano Pavarotti

Arias — Airs — Arien IT-CD 3.012

Puccini

Tosca IT-CD 3.018.001/.002

Raf

Collezione temporanea IT-CD 3.010

Eros Ramazzotti

In certi momenti IT -CD 3.003

Vasco Rossi

Sara/Migliore IT-CD 3.017

Sing Children Sing: Songs of Italy

IT 3.102

Joan Sutherland/Luciano Pavarotti

Operatic Duets — Duos d'Opéra — Opern Duette IT-CD 3.014

Tenors in the Grand Tradition

MISC-CD 3.003

Bruno Venturini

Torna a Surriento con anema e core IT 3.103

Zucchero Sugar Fornaciari

Oro Incenso Birra IT-CD 3.005

Literature Recordings

La commedia dell'arte

Part 4 of the *Italian Readings on Tape* series produced by the Centro Studi Italiani in San Francisco; designed to develop listening comprehension skills, this history of the *commedia dell'arte* is divided into 24 short segments; printed glossary, exercises, and answers to exercises also available.

50 minutes

Golden Treasury of Italian Verse

IT 2.026

26 masterpieces of Italian verse read by Giorgio Strehler; includes works by Dante Alighieri, Cecco Angliolieri, Gabriele d'Annunzio, Ludovico Ariosto, San Francesco d'Assisi, Michelangelo Buonarroti, Giosue Carducci, Guido Cavalcanti, Ugo Foscolo, Giacomo Leopardi, Giovanni Pascoli, Francesco Petrarca, Angelo Poliziano, Torquato Tasso; full texts/translations available.

Listen and Enjoy Italian Poetry

IT 2.028

34 poems by 21 great Italian poets recited by Luciano Rebay; includes works by Ariosto, Boccaccio, Dante, Petrarch, Tasso, and others; includes heroic epics, hymns, lyrics, madrigals, and sonnets; 160-page dual-language (Italian-English) book containing full texts/translations, biographical and critical commentary available.

50 minutes

Prosatori del novecento

Cantarella

IT 1.006

Sixteen short stories, including works by Buzzati, Calvino, Cassieri, Cassola, Ginzburg, Lampedusa, Levi, Marotta, Moravia, Ortese, Pavese, Pratolini, Rea, Silone, Soldati, Vittorini; accompanying text includes profiles of the authors, exercises, and vocabulary.

*For other recordings, please see Literature Catalog in the Language Laboratory, Lyons 313.

Books

501 Italian Verbs

Colaneri & Luciani

Hauppauge, NY: Barron's Educational Series, Inc. © 1992

A tu per tu

Gene DeKovic & Stephen Popolizio

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1988

Contemporary Italy as seen through actual interviews by Gene DeKovic

All'Avventura!

St. Paul, MN: EMC Corporation © 1993

Four, short (27–28 page) Italian-language readers each containing a complete adventure story with illustrations, questions, and vocabulary list; for beginning-intermediate students; general theme of series: a group of friends (exchange students) encounter unexpected experiences and adventures during a stay in Italy.

Series Titles:

Destinazione Italia Sulla strada del contrabbando Avventura in Toscana Pericolo sulla Costa Amalfitana

Baedecker's Florence

The Automobile Association © 2000

209-page travel guide (with separate 37" \times 25" laminated map) originally published by Baedecker Osfilden.

Beginner's Italian Reader

Daniel Rolfs

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1990 Everyday life experiences of young Italian people

Beginner's Italian Reader: Teacher's Guide

Daniel Rolfs

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1990

Bianco e Nero: Film Study Program

Roberta Tabanelli & Cristina Villa

New York: Edizioni Farinelli Publishers © 2013

Cassell's Italian Dictionary: Italian-English/English-Italian

New York: Funk and Wagnalls © 1967

Ciao Italia

Anno III, Nos. 1-3, 5-8

Anno IV, Nos. 1-8

Italy: European Language Institute © 1990, 1991

First-year-level Italian language magazine; colorful comic book format

Ciao, Professore!

Elda Buonanno

New York: Edizioni Farinelli © 2006

Film Study Program; step-by-step approach to learning beginner's Italian through

film study. 56 pages.

Cuthbertson Verb Wheel

Lexington, MA: D.C. Heath and Co. © 1933

Gives conjugations of irregular verbs

Il dizionario dei gesti italiani

Bruno Munari

Rome: AdnKronos Libri © 1994

Il dizionario della lingua italiana

Devoto & Oli

Firenze: Le Monnier © 1990

Dizionario per immagini

Marco Mezzadri

Perugia: Guerra Edizioni © 1998

Clip art/cartoon-style illustrations of about 2000 Italian words grouped thematically into 72 units, from basic vocabulary to expressions associated with specific scenarios of daily life; vocabulary listed in numbered charts outside of the illustrations themselves, so that art work may be used in isolation for ease of use in other contexts; 140 pages.

Easy Italian Crossword Puzzles

Nancy Parato Goldhagen & Richard Goldhagen Lincolnwood, IL: Passport Books © 1990

English Grammar for Students of Italian 2nd edition

Sergio Adorni & Karen Primorac

Ann Arbor, MI: The Olivia and Hill Press © 1995

Eyewitness Travel Guide: Italy

DK Publishing, Inc. © 1996, 1997

Faccia a faccia

Laura Ulisse

Roma: Bonacci editore © 1997

Collection of diverse, communicative activities intended for use at the elementary-intermediate levels; features small-group and pair work exercises that promote practice in spontaneous speech; 66 pages.

The Foreign Language Teacher's Handbook: Aiming for Proficiency in Italian

Carmela Taliercio, Rosemary L. Haigh, Patricia A. Lennon, & Douglas E. Moore Elmont, NY: Proficiency Press Co. © 1992, 1991

Grammatica avanzata della Lingua Italiana con esercizi

Nocchi & Tartaglione

Firenze, IT: Alma Edizioni © 2006

Recommended for students who already have a good grasp of Italian and would like to perfect their language skills; 206 pages.

Grammatica pratica della lingua italiana esercizi - test - giochi

Nocchi

Firenze, IT: Alma Edizioni © 2006

Idee pratiche per lezioni d'italiano

St. Paul, MN: EMC Publishing © 1994

Interpretazioni: Italian Language and Culture through Film

Cristina Pausini and Carmen Merolla Georgetown University Press © 2019

Italian Crossword Puzzles for Reinforcing Vocabulary

Nancy Parato Goldhagen & Richard Goldhagen Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1990

Italian Film in the Classroom — Book 2

Margot Ludbrook & Maddalena Eden Adelaide, Australia © 1998

Italian Through Film: A Text for Italian Courses

Antonello Borra & Cristina Pausini New Haven: Yale University Press © 2004

L'italiano al Cinema

Maddoli

Perugia: Guerra Edizioni © 2004

Learn Italian through the study of film; 582 pages.

L'italiano All'Opera

Carresi, Chiarenza, & Frollano

Roma: Bonacci Editore © 1998

Learn Italian by studying 15 famous Operatic arias; 100 pages.

L'italiano all'opera

Serena Carresi, Sara Chiarenza, & Edy Frollano

Roma: Bonacci editore © 1998

L'italiano con l'opera: Lingua, cultura e conversazione

Daniela Noè & Frances A. Boyd

New Haven: Yale University Press © 2003

L'italiano si impara in due

Marco Barsacchi & Vincenzo Gatto

Toronto: University of Toronto Press © 1993

L'italiano vivo

Iohn A. Rallo

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1992

Authentic reading and conversation materials for intermediate through advanced classes.

Language Games in Italian

Marcel Danesi

Toronto: University of Toronto Press © 1985

La meglio gioventu (The Best of Youth)

Buonanno

NY: Edizioni Farinelli © 2007

Systematic way of learning Italian through the study of film. Covers eighteen 20 minute parts of the accompanying film; 150 pages.

Mosaici: Snapshots of Contemporary Italian Life

Anna Clara Ionta and Anna Taraboletti Segre

NY: Edizioni Farinelli © 2014

Intermediate-level textbook with (a) accompanying DVD containing film and video excerpts, (b) *Soluzioni* booklet containing corrections to selected exercises in textbook

Il natale: Christmas in Italy

Anna Maria Bee & Josephine D'Alleva

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1985

Il nuovo dizionario Hazon-Garzanti: inglese-italiano/italiano-inglese

Milano: Garzanti Editore © 1990

Oggitalia

Anno III, no. 4 (Gennaio 1995)

Anno IV, no. 1 (Sett./Ott. 1995)

Anno V, nos. 1-8

Anno VI, nos. 1-7

Anno VII, nos. 3-6

Anno VIII, nos. 1-6

Anno IX, nos. 1-6

Anno X, nos. 1-6

Anno XI

Italy: European Language Institute © 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001,

2002, 2003

Advanced-level, Italian language magazine

Opera Italian! 2nd edition

Danesi & Sousa

Welland, Ontario: Soleil Publishing © 1995

Self study introduction to Italian through Opera; 242 pages.

A Picture is Worth... 1000 Words... Books 1 & 2

Anthony Mollica

Welland, Ontario: éditions Soleil publishing, inc. © 1992

Subtitled *Creative activities for the language classroom,* the two volumes of 60 photographs each are intended to provide visual stimuli for discussion and conversation activity in the language classroom; also available: Teacher's Guide (by Anthony Mollica, Julie Ashcroft, and Anne-Marie Finger) containing questions for each photograph.

Ragazzi

Anno X, nos. 1-8

Anno XI, nos. 1-8

Anno XV, nos. 1-8

Anno XVI, nos. 1-8

Italy: European Language Institute © 1990, 1991, 1994, 1995, 1996 Intermediate-level Italian language magazine; colorful comic book format.

Scrivi bene!: Writing Effectively in Italian

Roberta Tabanelli

NY: Edizioni Farinelli © 2016

Textbook plus Soluzioni booklet for most textbook activities

Seguimi

Carmela Taliercio-Cohn, Franca Beumée, Dr. Grace Zummo Mannino, & Ida Giampietro Wilder

Elmont, NY: Proficiency Press Co. © 1996, 2000

Sequenze: Italian Through Contemporary Film

Elisa Dossena and Silvia Dupont

NY: Edizioni Farinelli © 2016

Intermediate-Advanced level textbook with *Soluzioni* booklet for most textbook activities, including those based on the viewing of short clips from 10 Italian films produced since 2003:

Habemus papam, Mine vaganti, Giorni e nuvole, La ragazza del lago, Il capitale umano, La grande bellezza, Buongiorno notte, Ricordati di me, Le chiavi di casa, lo sono Li

Soluzioni, a Practical Guide to Italian Grammar

Rome & Tite

NY: The McGraw-Hill Companies © 2003

Provides a detailed, easily understood explanation of Italian grammar; 330 pages.

Tocca a te

Carmela Taliercio-Cohn & Christine M. Acocella

Elmont, NY: Proficiency Press Co. © 1996

Tutti insieme

Anno V, nos. 1-8

Anno VI, nos. 1–8

Anno X, nos. 1–8

Anno XVI, nos. 1-8

Italy: European Language Institute © 1990, 1991, 1994, 1995, 1996

High-intermediate/advanced level Italian language magazine; colorful comic book format.

L'ultimo bacio

Buonanno

New York: Edizioni Farinelli © 2006

Integrated approach to learning the Italian language through film study; 54 pages.

Voci d'Italia Series

Immagini d'Italia

Doriana Provvedi-Fournier

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1985

Authentic readings for intermediate students

Italia allo specchio

Doriana Provvedi-Fournier

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1985 Authentic readings for advanced students

Italia in prospettiva

Gianfranco Radelli

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1985

Authentic readings for advanced beginning students

Voci d'Italia Answer Key

Lincolnwood, IL: National Textbook Co. © 1988

Games

Bingo

Sheets containing a grid of randomized numbers are distributed among the contestants. The leader turns a caged sphere of numbered balls which spill out in succession, and correspond to the numbers on the contestants' sheets. The winner is the first contestant to achieve a straight line of chosen numbers on their sheet and to call out "Bingo!" simultaneously.

Polyglot

"The game of international languages" for 2–6 players, ages 8+ Contents: one game board, one die, 303 word cards, 48 phrase cards, six pawns; objective: to be the first to reach the top of the tower (imprinted on the game board) and become the "polyglot" of the group; there are three paths to the top: beginner, intermediate and advanced; playing cards: "word cards," on one side, contain six words in English; the corresponding translations which include phonetic pronunciations are provided on the reverse side of the card in the following languages: Spanish, Italian, French, German, and Yiddish; "phrase cards," on one side, contain three phrases in English; the corresponding translations and phonetic pronunciations, in the languages mentioned above, are on the reverse side of the card; activities involved in playing this game include: spelling a word, translating a phrase, translating a phrase in two languages; game instructions provided in English and Spanish.

Transparencies

In giro per la letteratura

Elizabeth Giansiracusa & Kenneth Berri Heinle & Heinle © 1996

15 transparencies (11 color, 4 black & white) correlated to specific chapters of the text *In giro per la letteratura* (IT 1.027)

Italian Overhead Transparencies 2nd Edition

Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company © 2002

24 black & white transparencies divided into three categories: maps, places and things, and people; two sets available.

Oggi in Italia 3rd Edition Transparencies

24 transparencies divided into four categories: maps (of Italy), people, word sets, and scenes; although cued to chapters in the Italian text *Oggi in Italia, 3rd Edition,* these transparencies may be used in conjunction with any language text, as the majority of transparencies are images only, without super-imposed text.

Prego! 3rd Edition Instructor's Resource Kit and Manual

140 black-line transparency masters of drawings from the main text *Prego!, 3rd Edition* and realia (advertisements, schedules, announcements, newspaper and magazine articles, etc.); realia coordinated with cultural themes of main text chapters or with grammar topics.

Filmstrips

Camminando per la città parlando italiano

Two filmstrips, two cassettes and a teacher's guide; 30:53

Feste italiane

Two filmstrips, two cassettes, Italian-English text; 24:28

Italia

Titles:

Centro-meridionale

filmstrip, cassette, text 24:30

Gubbio

filmstrip, cassette, text 14:00

L'Italia Centrale

filmstrip, cassette, text 28:40

Il Nord

filmstrip, cassette, text 24:56

Roma e la città del Vaticano

filmstrip, cassette, text 18:30

II Sud

filmstrip, cassette, text 24:35

Venezia

filmstrip, cassette, text 17:00

2,700 anni di storia

filmstrip, cassette, text 18:50

Mercati italiani

filmstrip, cassette, text 16:20

Pompei

two filmstrips, two cassettes, text 32:18

La società italiana dal 1945 ad oggi

filmstrip, cassette, text 16:28

Maps

Il grande Atlante turistico d'Italia — Oggi 6 Isole

21-page booklet of maps and photos of Sicilia and Sardegna

Map of Florence

37" × 25" laminated street map of Florence; companion map to the travel guide Baedecker's *Florence*.

Map of Italy

50%" × 37%" laminated two-sided map in full color; one side displays "political" details; the other side displays "physical" details.

World Map

Rand McNally Cosmopolitan Series 49%" × 32%" laminated map of the world; 2 copies available.

Miscellaneous

Emotions Flash Cards

Set of 15 black and white photographs (7" × 7") of an actor (a.k.a. "Ernest" in such films as *Ernest goes to camp, Ernest celebrates Christmas,* etc. [note: film titles: approximate!]) illustrating 15 basic emotions; identification of emotion printed on reverse of each card in English, French, German and Spanish; easily adaptable for use in Italian courses.

Magnetic Poetry Kit: Italian/Italiano

"Over 500 magnetized words and word fragments"

Photo Verb Flash Cards

Set of 40 color photographs (7" \times 7") that illustrate 40 of the most common action verbs usually studied in first-year language courses; infinitive of each verb printed on reverse of each card in English, French, German, and Spanish; easily adaptable for use in Italian courses.

Slides

Firenze

2 sets of color slides featuring famous works of art and architecture found in the city and galleries of Florence.

Set #1: 100 slides Set #2: 60 slides

Lucca

12 color slides of noted architectural sites in Lucca.

Pisa

24 color slides including panoramic views of Pisa, its churches and cathedrals, as well as its famous leaning tower.

Sicilia

14 color slides including panoramic views of Sicilian towns, architecture and Mediterranean islands.

Venice

120 color slides including views of the city, its architectural treasures, churches and cathedrals, paintings, etc.

DVDs

8 1/2

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD set (Criterion Collection)

Federico Fellini (1963)

Guido Anselmi (Marcello Mastroianni), a film director being pressured to come up with a film, resorts to a variety of his personal life experiences to create a film full of dreams formed (with little direction) from a cluster of memories and fantasies; black & white.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

2 hours 18 minutes

A Casa Tutti Bene (There's No Place Like Home)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Gabriele Muccino (2018)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 43 minutes

Amarcord

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD set (Criterion Collection) Federico Fellini (1973)

Academy Award-winning classic film about daily life in a small coastal town in Italy in the 1930s, based on the director's own childhood town of Rimini. Fellini satirizes the inhabitants of the town, including the famous and voluptuous Gradisca (Magali Noël), as well as their adventures and the town's traditions; Disc 2 includes: the 45-minute documentary *Fellini'sHomecoming*; a video interview with Magali Noël; audio interviews with Fellini, his friends and family; Fellini's drawings of characters in the film; film restoration demonstration; also included: accompanying book featuring Fellini's 1967 essay "My Rimini."

In Italian with optional English subtitles; also available: optional English-dubbed version

2 hours 3 minutes

L'amica geniale (My Brilliant Friend)

2 Region 1 (NTSC) DVD set; HBO Series - Season 1 Saverio Costanzo (2019) Disc 1 = Episodes 1-4; Disc 2 = Episodes 5-8 In Italian with optional English or Spanish subtitles 7 hours 45 minutes

Le amiche (The Girlfriends)

Region 1 (NTSC) black and white DVD Michelangelo Antonioni (1955)

When beautiful Cleila opens a fashion salon in Rome, she is welcomed into a group of wealthy, dramatic socialites, who mix themselves up with sex, love, and suicide.

The film captures a period in which women are just beginning to realize their independence.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 39 mintues

Amore, bugie & calcetto: l'Abc della vita moderna

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Luca Lucini (2008)

Romantic comedy that follows the lives of seven men who come together through their passion for soccer as a means of breaking up the monotony of their everyday routines; provides a glimpse into how men look at relationships — everything from marriage to friendship.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 52 minutes

Anche libero va bene (Along the Ridge)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Kim Rossi Stuart (2006)

Renato is just a man trying to keep his family together. After his wife suddenly ran off with another man, Renato is left with all the parental duties while working at the same time. Both the daughter and son each have their own problems as well. Then one day his wife returns, but Renato isn't so quick to roll out the welcome wagon. In Italian with optional Italian for the hearing impaired or English subtitles 1 hour 45 minutes

Babylon Sisters

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Gigi Roccati (2017)

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired

1 hour 21 minutes

Basilicata Coast to Coast

Region 2 (PAL) 2-disc DVD set

Rocco Papaleo (2010)

This musical comedy follows a small band that sets out to cross Basilicata on foot in

order to perform at a music festival. The unlikely group of troubadours consists of a washed up television star, a medical school drop-out, a bored high-school math teacher, and a mute fisherman. Grudgingly tagging along is a journalist who documents their journey through the region. Though they originally embark on the footpath to the music festival, each unexpectedly finds a truer course on the path of life throughout many comedic escapades coast-to-coast.

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired

Versione Theatrical: 1 hour 41 minutes Versione Worldwide: 1 hour 33 minutes

Battaglia

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD Daniela Zanzotto (2004)

This documentary follows Sicilian photographer, journalist, anti-Mafia activist, and environmental politician Letizia Battaglia as she reflects on her unconventional life. As she walks us through her city and canvas, Palermo she recounts her own inner pain, as well as the pain of others that she has captured through her lens. In Italian with on-screen English subtitles

58 minutes

Beate

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD
Samad Zarmandili (2018)
In Italian with on-screen English subtitles
1 hour 34 minutes

Bella addormentata (Dormant Beauty)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Marco Bellocchio (2012)

Euthanasia, literally from the Greek meaning a "good death," is the passionately controversial social issue surrounding the final days of the life of Eluana Englaro, a woman in a persistent vegetative state who died in 2009. We also see the stories of others suffering in comparable circumstances, including the daughter of wealthy actors, a criminal drug addict, and the wife of a senator. Is it murder, an act of love, or something else?

In Italian with optional English subtitles, or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 51 minutes

Benvenuti al Sud (Welcome to the South)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Luca Miniero (2010)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 42 minutes

Berlinguer ti voglio bene (Berlinguer: I Love You)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Giuseppe Bertolucci (1977)

Mario Cioni (in Roberto Benigni's debut role), a frustrated young man living with his tormenting mother, spends his days bemoaning women and sexuality. Eventually, Cioni develops a strange attraction to his mother. To his dismay, he comes up against competition for her heart from his friend Bozzone.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 31 minutes

La bestia nel cuore (Don't Tell)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Cristina Comencini (2006)

The film's protagonists, Sabina (Giovanna Mezzogiorno) and the love of her life Franco (Alessio Boni) are taken by surprise when Sabina begins to have unusual nightmares, which begin to make her doubt what she believed was a normal childhood. Pregnant with Franco's child, Sabina visits her estranged brother in America, where she makes some startling discoveries about her past. In the end, she must come to terms with this past and rediscover happiness within her new family. Also available: 68-page book *La bestia nel cuore, dal romanzo al film* by Cristina Comencini; book includes a making-of description, a comparison between the book and the film, and interviews with the filmmakers.

In Italian with optional English or Spanish subtitles

2 hours

Bianco e nero (Black and White)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Cristina Comencini (2008)

This gritty whirlwind of ethnic and sexual tension not lacking in comedic touch follows the affair of Carlo and Nadine. Carlo is married to Elena, who works for an organization that raises funds for Africans. Elena's coworker Bertrand and his wife Nadine are both natives of Dakar. When a regrettable but irresistible romance consumes Carlo and Nadine, questions arise of fidelity to wedlock, to culture, and to passion. The roller coaster of their relationship twists and turns its way to an unforeseeable end.

Includes a film study program by Roberta Tabanelli and Cristina Villa with comprehension exercises, vocabulary builders, grammar activities, class discussion prompters, and cultural readings.

In Italian with optional Italian or English subtitles
1 hour 40 minutes

La bohème

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Recording of live performance on February 25, 1993 at the Sydney Opera House of composer Giacomo Puccini's late 19th-century opera as directed by Baz Luhrmann for the Australian Opera and conducted by Julian Smith; this production set in 1950s Paris; story of love and of the strength derived from friendship; Mimi (soprano Cheryl Barker), a seamstress, meets the poet Rodolfo (tenor David Hobson) when her candle goes out and she asks him to help her. They fall in love and she is introduced into Rodolfo's circle of friends — Colline (Gary Rowley), Schaunard (David Lemke), Marcello (Roger Lemke), and his love Musetta (Christine Douglas). The post-war times make it impossible for these artists to live a prosperous life, and Mimi falls ill.

In Italian with on-screen English subtitles 2 hours

"Buongiorno, notte" (Good morning, Night)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Marco Bellocchio (2003)

Mixing drama and historical footage, this film follows the actions of a small faction

of the *Brigate Rosse* (Red Brigades), a violent paramilitary organization, who kidnap Aldo Moro (Roberto Herlitzka), leader of the *Democrazia Cristiana* (Christian Democracy) party. Chiara (Maya Sansa), a young terrorist, starts to have misgivings about their actions. Though Moro writes many letters from his secret holding room – including letters to his party members, his family, and even the Pope – he largely receives no response. The mingling of scenes of dramatic interrogation with dream-like episodes examines what it means to be free.

In Italian with Italian for the hearing impaired subtitles

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1 hour 45 minutes

Il caimano (The Caiman)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Nanni Moretti (2006)

Bruno Bonomo is a struggling movie producer. Not only does he have problems with funding his next movie, he has problems in his marriage as well. With Bruno and his wife soon to split, the parental duties over their two sons are about to become more difficult. Without much thought, Bruno decides to produce a script of a young female director. Little does he know, the script is about Silvio Berlusconi. In Italian with optional English, French, or Italian subtitles

1 hour 52 minutes

Caos calmo (Quiet Chaos)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Nanni Moretti (2008)

After Pietro and his brother rescue two drowning women at the beach, Pietro returns home to find that his wife has died from a fall. In the following days, he vows to his young daughter Claudia that he will remain in the park outside her school all day until she is dismissed. Forsaking his office for the park bench, Pietro eventually becomes accustomed to the daily habits of the park's passersby. On noticing his daughter's apparent lack of grieving, he begins to reflect on his own expression of sorrow as calm and collected chaos.

In Italian with optional English or Italian subtitles

1 hour 47 minutes

Il capitale umano (Human Capital)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Paolo Virzi (2013)

Two families, one middle-class family and one wealthy, find their lives intertwined after an accident that left one man dead. As someone from a mediocre socioeconomic status, Dino Ossola seeks only more wealth, equating his revenue with happiness. He sees an opportunity to achieve his greatest desire when his daughter Serena starts dating the son of the wealthy Giovanni Bernaschi. Dino is determined to enter into the Bernaschi family circle as the story of the unlikely encounter between these two families unfolds from the viewpoint of each individual member.

In Italian with optional English or French subtitles, or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired

1 hour 49 minutes

Casomai (If By Chance)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Alessandro D'Alatri (2002)

The story of the relationship and marriage of Stefania (played by Stefania Rocca) and Tommaso (played by Fabio Volo) and their ability to cope with or be defeated by the pressures put upon a modern married couple.

In Italian with optional Italian or English subtitles
1 hour 54 minutes

Il caso Moro (The Moro Affair)

Region 0 (PAL) DVD

Giuseppe Ferrara (1986)

The year is 1978, and in a bloody shootout on the streets of Rome, a group of communist revolutionaries called the *Brigate Rosse* (Red Brigades) kidnap Aldo Moro (Gian Maria Volonté), the leader of the *Democrazia Cristiana* (Christian Democracy) party – the dominant political party since the end of World War II. This crime thriller chronologically follows the events of the 55 days from the kidnapping in via Fani to the discovery of Moro's corpse in the trunk of a car in via Caetani.

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 52 minutes

Caterina va in città (Caterina in the Big City)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Paolo Virzi (2003)

During her last year of grade school, Caterina (Alice Teghil), a small town girl, moves to Rome with her mother and father. Caterina's personal struggle to fit into this new city and new school reflects the social class implications in Rome. She goes from hanging out with the posh to the radicals. Along with her hopeful father, they learn that self-happiness is all middle-class Italians can strive for and achieve in the political and class-skewed environment.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

Approx. 1 hour 46 minutes

Cavalleria rusticana

All Regions 0 (NTSC) DVD

Disc #1 in 2 DVD-set with companion disc *Pagliacci*; 1982 Franco Zeffirelli production on film of Pietro Mascagni's opera of love and betrayal, starring Plácido Domingo as Turiddu, Yelena Obraztsova as Santuzza, and Axelle Gall as Lola; Georges Prêtre, conductor of the Orchestra e Coro del Teatro alla Scala; filmed on location in Sicily; Turiddu is supposed to marry Santuzza but is still madly in love with his first love Lola, who is now married to Alfio (Renato Bruson). When Alfio finds out about their love, Alfio challenges Turiddu to a duel and kills him; in Italian with the option of Italian, English, German, French, Spanish, or Chinese subtitles; 1 hour 9 minutes.

I cento passi (One Hundred Steps)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Marco Tullio Giordana (2000)

Based on the true story of Peppino Impastato, a young Sicilian activist who in the 1960s and 1970s spoke out against the crimes of Tano Badalamenti, a Mafia boss; As head of a local youth group rebelling against the Mafia's power, Peppino is pitted against his own family, particularly his father, who is owned wholly by the mob and tortured by his son's dangerous attitude; his family's fears are realized when

Peppino is assassinated by Badalamenti's mobster thugs; documentary, backstage, trailer, and biographies of cast available.

In Italian with optional English or Italian subtitles

1 hour 54 minutes

Le chiavi di casa (The Keys to the House)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Gianni Amelio (2004)

Featuring Kim Rossi Stuart, Charlotte Rampling, and Andrea Rossi; winner of the 2005 Nastro d'argento Best Director Award and many other prestigious awards. A touching tale about the reuniting of Gianni with his estranged son of 15 years, Paolo. Born with special needs, Paolo no longer can live with his foster parents. Following the first few days of Gianni and Paolo's meeting, this film shows the growth of a previously nonexistent father-son relationship, the delving into the pain of the past, and the resultant healing of doing so.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 47 minutes

Come te nessuno mai (But Forever in My Mind)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Gabriele Muccino (2000)

Coming-of-age story set in a public school of the 1990s, where students want to revolt against the authoritarian structure and where they experience the tumult of young love; story of the tarnishing of relationships for the main characters Silvio (Silvio Muccino) and his big-mouthed, best friend Ponzi (Giuseppe Sanfelice). In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 28 minutes

Come tu mi vuoi

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Volfango De Biasi (2007)

Romantic comedy where a simple girl is introduced to the world of parties and glamour; Giada (Cristiana Capotondi), a social communications major trying to understand her peers, meets a party-loving group of students, including the

notorious Riccardo (Nicolas Vaporidis). Taken by storm by both the young man and her new social world, Giada realizes that this social circle comes with consequences and new standards with which she is not ready to comply.

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 47 minutes

Il conformista (The Conformist)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Bernardo Bertolucci (1970)

Extended edition based on the novel by Alberto Moravia. As Fascists begin to wield influence in Italy, Marcello Clerici (Jean-Louis Trintignant) is easily persuaded to take part in an assassination plot. Disguised as honeymooners, he and his naïve wife Giulia (Stefania Sandrelli) travel to Paris in order to find and kill Marcello's former professor, Professor Quadri (Enzo Tarascio), who fled Italy as the Fascists were coming into power. In his attempt to follow through with the assassination plan, Marcello falls in love with the professor's wife Anna (Dominique Sanda). Dubbed audio options: Italian, English, French, Spanish, and Brazilian Portuguese, with optional English, Spanish, or Brazilian Portuguese subtitles

Cristo si è fermato a Eboli (Christ Stopped at Eboli)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Francesco Rosi's (1978)

Follows medical doctor and antifascist writer Esilia Carlo (Gian Maria Volonté), a political internee, who is sent to a town in southern Italy as desolate and hopeless as his internment. As the doctor observes in the film's title: "Christ, nor any glimmer of hope, ever reached this desolate area." But as time goes by, the interned doctor learns to relieve both his own despair and that of his adopted town through painting and practicing medicine; special features include scene selections and a documentary exploring the Eboli area.

In Italian with the option of Italian or English subtitles 2 hours 25 minutes

Croce e delizia (An Almost Ordinary Summer)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD Simone Godano (2019) In Italian with on-screen English subtitles 1 hour 40 minutes

Il Decameron (The Decameron)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Pier Paolo Pasolini (1971)

Film adaptation of the very liberal and Church-satirizing, earthy and ribald tales of of Boccaccio's *Decameron*, including those of: (1) a young man from Sicily who is tricked twice but ends up rich; (2) a boy who pretends to be a deaf-mute and causes a stir in a convent; (3) a woman who has to hide her lover from her husband, who comes back early from work; (4) a criminal who fools a priest on his deathbed; (5) three brothers avenging their honor by killing their sister's lover; (6) a girl who sleeps on her balcony roof to meet up with her boyfriend; (7) a priest who tricks his poor peasant friend; (8) two friends who make a pact to figure out what the afterlife is like.

In Italian with the option of English, French, or Spanish subtitles 1 hour 51 minutes

Il divo: La spettacolare vita di Giulio Andreotti

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Paolo Sorrentino (2008)

This film is about the life of Italy's seven-time Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti. When those in power around him are suddenly killed, Andreotti is left as the only leading political figure. On the outside, Andreotti appears to be a very calm and peaceful person. But looks are deceiving. Having been tied to several shady deals and business with the Mafia, Andreotti is eventually found guilty of his illegal conduct. In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 50 minutes

La dolce vita (The Sweet Life)

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD

Federico Fellini (1960)

Collector's edition; a story of a journalist, Marcello Rubini (Marcello Mastroianni), trying to find his place in the world. Aspiring to be a serious writer, he struggles as a gossip columnist not being able to write what he wants, while at the same time living in the lap of luxury with rich and infamous characters. From his playboy antics to his relationships with his suicidal girlfriend, an American actress (Anita Ekberg), and a wealthy heiress (Anouk Aimée), he tries to find love but fails every time. He further questions his own life when his mentor-friend commits suicide. Black & white.

In Italian or English with optional English or Spanish subtitles

Main program: 2 hours 54 minutes

Bonus features DVD: 1 hour

Dopo mezzanotte (After Midnight)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Davide Ferrario (2003)

An unusual love story set in the scenic Mole Antonelliana, site of the Museum of Cinema in Turin, Italy. After an incident with her fast-food employer, Amanda, in her escape from the police, finds shelter in the museum with the night watchman, Martino. The shy Martino falls in love with Amanda, whereas Amanda realizes she is actually in love with both her thug boyfriend Angel and Martino. As their story develops, an unfortunate turn of events changes each relationship. In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired

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L'eclisse (The Eclipse)

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD set (Criterion Collection)

Michelangelo Antonioni (1962)

Vittoria (Monica Vitti), a beautiful Italian woman, breaks her engagement to her fiancé Ricardo (Francisco Rabal), a writer. Vittoria then slowly falls in love with her mother's stockbroker, the greedy Piero (Alain Delon). As they both fall in love with each other, they also realize that an idealistic girl like Vittoria cannot maintain a relationship with as materialistic a man as Piero. Disc 2 features the following

supplements: (1) *Michelangelo Antonioni: The Eye That Changed Cinema*, a 56-minute documentary about Antonioni's life and career; (2) *Elements of Landscape*, a 22-minute presentation about Antonioni and the film *L'Eclisse* with commentary by Italian film critic Adriano Aprà and Antonioni's friend Carlo di Carlo; also available: 32-page booklet containing essays by film critics and excerpts from Antonioni's own writings; black & white.

In Italian with optional English subtitles 2 hours 5 minutes

Educazione Siberiana (Deadly Code)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Gabriele Salvatores (2013)

Kolima and Gagarin grow up together in a Russian ghetto as members of a Siberian clan of "honest criminals" bound by strict honor codes. When Gagarin is arrested during a botched robbery, the boys are set on increasingly divergent paths. While Kolima preserves the community's tradition of street justice, Gagarin falls in with drug dealers and human traffickers, culminating in a final brother-against-brother showdown.

In English or dubbed Italian, with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 40 minutes

Enrico IV

Region 0 (PAL) DVD

Marco Bellocchio (1984)

A costume party guest dressed as Enrico IV (Marcello Mastroianni) falls victim to a tragic accident which causes him to believe that he is in reality King Henry IV. For years he assumes the lifestyle of a king in a real castle without any concern for or interest in his previous life or the real world. After 20 years, Matilda (Claudia Cardinale), an old love interest, tries to intervene by playing along with Enrico's assumed reality while also involving a psychologist and her daughter in hopes that they will be able together to "shock" Enrico into understanding true reality. In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 22 minutes

La famiglia (The Family)

Region 0 (PAL) DVD

Ettore Scola (1987)

This story follows the life of Carlo and his multifaceted bourgeois household. It all begins with a family portrait taken during Carlo's baptism in 1906, and continues sequentially decade by decade through Carlo's life: episodes of joy and sorrow, pain and passion – through recurrent bickering, juvenile monkeyshines, wars and reunions, financial difficulties, and agonizing regret of opportunities missed. The memoir is bookended with yet another family portrait on Carlo's 80th birthday in 1986. Filmed entirely within the walls of the house, the events of Carlo's life perhaps challenge what we are told at the beginning: that "Carlo" means "free man." In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 2 hours 20 minutes

Le fate ignoranti (His Secret Life)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Ferzan Ozpetek (2002)

After Antonia's (Margherita Buy) husband Massimo (Andrea Renzi) dies (as a result of being hit by a car), she stumbles upon his secret life while packing all of his belongings. Not only did Massimo have a lover, but the lover was a man with whom he had been cheating for seven years. Questioning not only who her husband was but also her own identity, Antonia befriends Massimo's lover Michele (Stefano Accorsi) and all his friends who show her how to create for herself a new way of living and become a "free" woman.

In Italian and Turkish with optional English subtitles

1 hour 46 minutes

Filumena Marturano

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Eduardo De Filippo (1946, 1962)

This black & white film is an adaptation (made for television in 1962) of Eduardo De Filippo's famous 1946 comedic play told in three acts. Filumena, a former prostitute, has been living with Domenico for 25 years. After discovering that he had been tricked into marriage in extremis when Filumena pretended to be near death, Domenico begins a lengthy tirade against her. Finally Filumena reveals that

all she wants is a family for her three sons, who are now adults and unaware of their mother. Since he would rather marry the young Diana, Domenico attempts to have the marriage annulled. But upon learning that one of the three sons is his, he yields and decides to remarry Filumena and acknowledges all three as his children. In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 40 minutes

La finestra di fronte (Facing Windows)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Ferzan Ozpetek (2003)

Giovanna and Filippo are suffering many marital problems. One day, much to Giovanna's dismay, Filippo decides to take in an elderly homeless man, discovered later to be a Holocaust survivor. At the same time, Giovanna has lustful feelings for their neighbor across the street, quickly placing her in a difficult situation regarding the neighbor and her husband.

In Italian with optional English or French subtitles

1 hour 46 minutes

Fiorile

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Paolo and Vittorio Taviani (1993)

A love story of betrayal and tragedy in the Benedetti family. Luigi (Lino Capolicchio), the youngest of the Benedetti, takes a trip with his family to see his estranged father, Massimo (Michael Vartan), who sends him away in fear of the Benedetti curse. Begun two hundred years ago, when Elisabetta Benedetti (Galatea Ranzi) fell in love with Jean (Michael Vartan), a French soldier who was killed when Elisabetta's brother Corrado stole a chest of gold from the French army, a certain curse of misery and lost loves has haunted the Benedetti family ever since. Fear of this curse has now caused Massimo to push away all his loved ones and live in isolation on the family estate.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 45 minutes

Il gattopardo (The Leopard)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Luchino Visconti (1963)

This classic epic of Italian cinema tells the story of the aging Don Fabrizio, Prince of Salina (Burt Lancaster), during the time of Italy's democratic revolution. Even as he witnesses the decline of his culture and fortune, Don Fabrizio uses his resources to smooth the transition to democracy and pave the way for the next generation: his nephew Tancredi and his middle-class fiancée Angelica. Included are original movie, shorter American release with English dialogue, the making of *The Leopard* documentary, and various interviews.

In Italian with optional English subtitles 3 hours 5 minutes

Generazione 1000 euro

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Massimo Venier (2009)

Matteo Moretti (Alessandro Tiberi) is a discouraged young professional struggling for financial success at company that wants to fire him. While smoking away his sorrow on the roof of his office, he meets Angelica (Carolina Crescentini) and they immediately hit it off. Back at home, he and his friend Francesco (Francesco Mandelli) unexpectedly greet a new roommate Beatrice (Valentina Lodovini). On a business trip, he shares an intimate moment with Angelica, but in the morning she is gone, leaving the hefty expenses with him. Matteo then comes home and shares a dinner with his new roommate, Beatrice. It seems she really understands his true dreams and deep desires, and they share their own intimate moment. To add further tension, later Angelica not only reimburses Matteo for the trip, but also offers him a lucrative position in Barcelona with her. Who will he choose? In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 41 minutes

Il giardino dei Finzi-Contini (The Garden of the Finzi-Continis)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Vittorio de Sica (1971)

Academy Award-winning (Best Foreign Language Film) film that examines the plight of the Jewish community in wartime Ferrara during the Fascist period; story of the wealthy Finzi-Contini family who opens their garden to their Jewish friends as a haven when the latter are restricted from other areas; story also of the idyllic love

that blossoms between Micol, a Finzi-Contini, and Giorgio, a Jewish scholar. In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 34 minutes

Il gioiellino (The Jewel)

Region 0 (PAL) DVD

Andrea Molaioli (2011)

Based on the true story of the 2003 Parmalat crash, this film follows the collapse of Leda, an international dairy agribusiness. Owner and founder Amanzio Rastelli, who transformed his father's small salame business into the hugely successful "jewel" of a corporation, blindly entrusts management of the company to his close associates, including head accountant Ernesto Botta. Presently the company overextends itself abroad, resulting in massive debt. Unable to cope with the debt, Rastelli and Botta make an illicit choice to falsify liquidity records. Despite their best efforts, they must face the inevitable reality: without any milk, there's nothing you can fudge – not even numbers.

In Italian with English subtitles
1 hour 45 mintues

Una giornata particolare (A Special Day)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Ettore Scola (1977)

Set in fascist Italy in the 1930s and starring Sophia Loren and Marcello Mastroianni; Antonietta (Sophia Loren) is left home alone while her family goes off to witness Mussolini and Hitler's historic encounter. Antonietta realizes how unhappy she is with her life and strikes up a unique friendship with her gay neighbor Gabriele (Marcello Mastroianni), a relationship that opens their eyes and gives them both a new outlook on life.

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 45 minutes

Un giorno devi andare (There Will Come a Day)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Giorgio Diritti (2013)

Seeking greater self-knowledge and sense of purpose, Augusta left Italy for Brazil to

work with Catholic missionaries. After not finding quite what she wanted, she transfers to a job assisting in a favela. Augusta is finally able to open up about the grief of her past in the comfort of the family that has welcomed her. But after a community member's death, she picks up again and continues on through the Amazon, eventually arriving at an uninhabited island and subsequently dissolving into the solitude of nature.

In Italian, no subtitles 1 hour 47 minutes

Un giorno perfetto (A Perfect Day)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Ferzan Ozpetek (2008)

After a year of separation from his wife Emma (Isabella Ferrari) and two children, Antonio (Valerio Mastandrea) wants to reconstruct his family. However, Antonio cannot get over his manic-depression and jealousy. Forced to live with her mother, Emma struggles as a single mother with three jobs. One day Antonio meets Emma and stresses his need to have his family back. He deceives his family into spending time with him; however, during that time, he abuses his wife and eventually murders his children.

In Italian with the option of English or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 45 minutes

Gomorra

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Matteo Garrone (2008)

Based on the book by Roberto Saviano. This film deals with how the modern-day Camorra, a mafia-like organization, functions via drug dealing, murders, and extortions. Centered around an apartment complex in Italy, the film details the lives of six people who want to be or end up being associated with the group: (1) a young boy who becomes the Camorra's delivery boy; (2) an old man who is tired of extortions; (3) two young men who want to rival the local Camorra; (4) a young man who is starting to learn the business aspect of the Camorra; (5) a simple tailor who is trying to get ahead in the world.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

2 hours 10 minutes

Habemus Papam (We Have a Pope)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Nanni Moretti (2011)

A newly elected pope does not want to accept the position, much to the shock of the papal conclave. But when the conclave brings in a psychiatrist to discuss the new pope's misgivings and to ease his anxiety, he escapes and wanders about town. Meanwhile, the entire world awaits the announcement of the next pontifex. In Italian with optional English and Spanish subtitles

1 hour 45 minutes

Happy Family

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Gabriele Salvatores (2010)

Colorful in all senses of the word, this wildly entertaining meta-film pieces together the work of Ezio, a writer struggling to finish a screenplay. Ezio plays a double role as both narrator and character within his own story, one which he leaves vaguely open-ended. Both dissatisfied with Ezio's creative choices and personally insulted, his vibrantly unique characters come to life and encourage him to finish the story. In Italian with optional for the hearing impaired and English subtitles 1 hour 30 minutes

In guerra per amore (At War with Love)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Pif (2017)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 39 minutes

In nome del papa re (In the Name of the Pope King)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Luigi Magni (1977)

Award-winning film (4 Nastro d'argento and 3 David di Donatello Awards) set in 1867, when civil unrest ruled the streets of Rome due to the efforts of Garibaldi's forces to bring Rome into the Italian kingdom. Monsignor Colombo da Priverno (Nino Manfredi), a noble and influential priest, is tired of the increasing violence and is ready to resign. All is taking its toll on Monsignor Colombo when he discovers

that he has a son of whom he was unaware and who is now in prison for having blown up the Zouaves' barracks. With his connections and powers of influence, Monsignor Colombo secures his illegitimate son's release and hides him; however, his power cannot match that of the Pope or of the incoming government forces. In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 42 minutes

Io e te (Me and You)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Bernardo Bertolucci (2013)

Lorenzo is an introverted fourteen year old who exhibits some aberrant social behaviors. Without telling anyone, he skips out on a week-long ski trip with classmates in order to furtively spend the week alone, holed up in the basement of his apartment building. Crashing Lorenzo's stealthy staycation, his estranged older half-sister Olivia comes looking for a box of her old belongings. Without a place to sleep while attempting to kick a heroin addiction cold turkey, she decides to join her brother for the week as they catch up and come to terms with their family situations and life struggles.

In Italian with optional English subtitles, or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 33 minutes

Io non ho paura (I'm Not Scared)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Gabriele Salvatores (2003)

The story of Michele's uncovering of a monumental secret. Michele is a young boy from a southern Italian town who soon learns that no one can be trusted. In this film of thrills, betrayal and twists, one learns that to truly not be afraid, one must be willing to discover the truth, no matter the costs.

In Italian with the option of English or Spanish subtitles 1 hour 41 minutes

lo sono Li

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Andrea Segre (2011)

Shun Li is an immigrant working in a textile factory outside of Rome trying to save

money to bring her son over from China. After being transferred north to a bartending position close to Venice, she meets an old fisherman of Yugoslavian origin. When their friendship agitates both the local Chinese and Italian communities, Li must consider how it will affect her son's immigration prospects. Text of original film script also available.

In Italian with on-screen Italian subtitles

1 hour 38 minutes

Italian Classic — Karaoke

All regions NTSC DVD

28 classic Italian popular songs presented in karaoke style against backdrops of footage videotaped in various locations throughout Italy; includes such songs as "Torna a Surriento," "O Sole Mio," "Funiculi, Funicula," and "Santa Lucia;" Approx. 30 minutes

KAOS

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Paolo & Vittorio Taviani (1984)

The film consists of four short stories and an epilogue. In *The Other Son*, the first tale, a mother waiting to hear from her beloved emigrated sons, neglects her third, for he reminds her of his father who raped her. The second tale, *Moon Sickness*, is about a newly wedded peasant couple plagued by the husband's mind-altering reaction to the full moon. In the third tale, *The Jar*, a mysterious craftsman traps himself in the jar he was hired to fix. In *Requiem*, a tribe of villagers attempts to bury their dead against their oppressive landowner's rules. Finally, in *Conversations with Mother*, the film's writer talks with his mother about a story he has longed to write. In Italian with optional English subtitles

3 hours 8 minutes

Ladri di biciclette (The Bicycle Thief)

All-regions (NTSC) DVD

Vittorio de Sica (1948)

Black & white film starring non-actors Lamberto Maggiorani and Enzo Staiola. Story of Antonio Ricci, a poor man in post-war Rome whose bicycle is stolen on his first day of work as a laborer hired to deliver movie posters, a job that requires he have

a bicycle. Poignant portrait of a father and son whose search for the stolen bicycle leads them through a world of indifference and challenges to the human spirit. In Italian with option of English subtitles; option of dubbed English dialogue soundtrack also available

1 hour 29 minutes

Lezioni di cioccolato

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Claudio Cupellini (2007)

A romantic comedy about Mattia (Luca Argentero), a corrupt building contractor, who must become an excellent chocolate chef to avoid having Kamal (Hassani Shapi), one of his exploited workers, denounce him to the police. Mattia has to pose as Kamal, a former pastry chef in Egypt, so that Kamal can win a contest and be able to own his own pastry shop in Italy. In order to win the contest, Mattia must convince everyone that he is Kamal, including fellow classmate Cecilia (Violante Placido). When she falls in love with him, complications ensue both in the competition and in Mattia's personal life.

In Italian with optional Italian and English subtitles
1 hour 35 minutes

La locandiera di Carlo Goldoni

DVD+R

Nathaniel Hibner & Danielle Auriemma (2010)

Presented on May 6, 2010 by the students of BC course *RL522 The Most Beautiful Pages of Italian Literature* (Prof. Rena A. Lamparska, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures)

In Italian, no subtitles

28 minutes

Lo chiamavano Jeeg Robot (They Call Me Jeeg)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD
Gabriele Mainetti (2015)
In Italian with on-screen English subtitles
1 hour 58 minutes

Loro (Them)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD - sexually explicit content; viewer discretion advised Paolo Sorrentino (2018)
In Italian with optional English subtitles
2 hours 33 minutes

Magnifica presenza (A Magnificent Haunting)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD Ferzan Özpetek (2012)

Living alone for the first time, Pietro moves into a timeworn apartment in Rome to pursue an acting career. However, he soon discovers that he is not as alone as he had anticipated. Sharing his new abode is a disquieting but benevolent troupe of ghostly vaudeville actors, apparently trapped and unaware of their cadaverous state, in search of their star actress. Growing accustomed to his new roommates, Pietro continues to pursue his dream of becoming an actor. Taking some outdated acting advice from the ghosts leads to a disastrous audition experience, and Pietro suffers a mental break. Even more, his doctor finds associations with Pietro's personal history and his description of the "ghosts." Are these phantoms just a case of dissociative identity disorder, a fiction Pietro merely hallucinated?

- —Finzione, finzione!
- —Ma quale finzione? Realtà!

In Italian with optional English subtitles, or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 42 minutes

La Mandragola - Niccolo Machiavelli

Region 2 (PAL) DVD Roberto Guicciardini (1978) In Italian, no subtitles 2 hours 7 minutes

Maria Stuarda

Region 0 (NTSC) DVD

Conductor: Antonino Fogliani (2008)

Live recording of the tragic opera by Gaetano Donizetti from the Teatro Alla Scala di Milano. Featuring Mariella Devia as Maria Stuarda, Anna Caterina Antonacci as Elisabetta, Francesco Meli as Roberto, conte di Leicester, and Simone Alberghini as Giorgio Talbot.

In Italian with optional English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, or Spanish subtitles

2 hours 18 minutes

Martin Eden

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD
Pietro Marcello (2019)
In Italian with optional English subtitles
2 hours 8 minutes

Massacre in Rome

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

George P. Cosmatos (1973)

Based on the historical Adreatine Massacre of March 24, 1944. Just weeks before the end of the occupation of Rome by the Nazis, there was a surprise assault on an SS brigade by Roman civilians, in which 32 German soldiers were killed. In retaliation, 320 Italians were sentenced to death, a sentence carried out by Lt. Col. Herbert Kappler (Richard Burton) without the consent of Italian authorities. In English

1 hour 47 minutes

Mediterranea

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Jonas Carpignano (2015)

In French, Italian, English and Arabic with optional English or Spanish subtitles 1 hour 50 minutes

La meglio gioventù (The Best of Youth)

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD

Marco Tullio Giordana (2003)

The story of two brothers, Nicola (Luigi Lo Cascio) and Matteo Carati (Alessio Boni), dating from their university years to their adulthood and unfolding from within the context of the historical events of Italy from 1966 to 2000 — from the flood of 1966 in Florence to the infamous Mafia murders in the early 1990s.

In Italian or French with optional English or Spanish subtitles

Disc 1 (1966–1980): approx. 3 hours 3 minutes

Disc 2 (1982–2000): approx. 3 hours 5 minutes

Total time: approx. 6 hours 8 minutes

Miele (Honey)

Region All (PAL) DVD

Valeria Golino (2013)

Based on the novel *A nome tuo* by Mauro Covacich, this film tells the story of Irene, called "Miele" (Honey). Irene is a young woman in her thirties who makes a living from discreetly offering a means of assisted suicide for the terminally ill. But when her services are requested by a depressed but physically healthy septuagenarian, an existential crisis ensues as Irene questions her role and what it means to suffer. In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 34 minutes

La migliore offerta (The Best Offer)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Giuseppe Tornatore (2013)

In Italian & English with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 2 hours 4 minutes

Mine vaganti (Loose Cannons)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Ferzan Ozpetek (2010)

Tommaso is a young adult who intends to reveal his homosexuality to his conservative family. However, interrupted by his brother during family dinner, Tommaso second-guesses his plans to come out. Moreover, when Tommaso's

boyfriend and other friends come to visit, his real identity is further obscured. In Italian with optional Italian or English subtitles

1 hour 48 minutes

Mio cognato (My Brother-In-Law)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Alessandro Piva (2003)

Vito, a timid, innocent man, has his car stolen on the day of his nephew's baptism. He seeks help from his shady brother-in-law Toni, who accepts only out of familial duty. Over the next 24 hours, Toni reluctantly navigates the two of them through a criminal underworld seeking the stolen car, having to resolve some blunders caused by Vito's naivety. It is Vito, however, who is undeservedly thrown into a world of threats, ransoms, broken noses, and run-ins with crime bosses, and it starts to seem that the car theft might not have been so random. The events of the search conclude in a shocking final scene involving a curious lemon.

In Italian with optional Italian or English subtitles

1 hour 30 minutes

Mio fratello è figlio unico (My Brother is an Only Child)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Daniele Luchetti (2007)

Manrico and Accio are brothers set on different paths. Manrico becomes a leader among the Communists, while Accio gets involved with the Fascists. The two brothers are placed at odds repeatedly. At the same time, Accio begins to fall for Manrico's girlfriend.

In Italian with optional Italian for the hearing impaired or English subtitles 1 hour 40 minutes

Mosaici: Snapshots of Contemporary Italian Life

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD to accompany textook *Mosaici: Snapshots of Contemporary Italian Life* by Anna Clara Ionta and AnnaTaraboletti Segre (Edizioni Farinelli c. 2014) Includes clips from 6 contemporary Italian films (*Focaccia Blues, Generazione 1000 Euro, Scrivilo sui muri, Pranzo di Ferragosto, La ragazza del lago, Giorni e nuvole*), as well as short videos containing interviews, news or reports related to topics included in the textbook

In Italian, no subtitles approx. 57 minutes

Noi credevamo (We Believed)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Mario Martone (2010)

Three friends, Angelo, Domenico, and Salvatore, decide that they want to end the pointless struggle between various political factions in Italy. They support Giuseppe Mazzini, who believes in a united republic. All three go their separate ways in accomplishing their dream. However, they meet difficulty along the way as they question whether their dream is worthy and can even be achieved. In Italian with optional Italian for the hearing impaired or English subtitles 3 hours 15 minutes

Non essere cattivo (Don't Be Bad)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD
Claudio Caligari (2015)
In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired
1 hour 38 minutes

Non pensarci (Don't Think About It)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Gianni Zanasi (2007)

Stefano (Valerio Mastandrea) is a punk rocker living in Rome and suffering a mid-30s crisis. Seeking solace, he returns to his hometown of Rimini only to find that his family has just as many issues. Rather than receiving the comfort of home, he finds that he must help solve everyone else's problems. This unexpected turn of events is perhaps just what Stefano needs to fill the void of responsibility in his life. In Italian with optional Italian, English, French, or Spanish subtitles 1 hour 52 minutes

La notte di San Lorenzo (The Night of the Shooting Stars)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Paolo and Vittorio Taviani (1982)

Cannes Film Festival winner, *La notte di San Lorenzo* is a World War II-themed story told through the memories of Cecilia who now as a mother tells her son about the night of the shooting stars back in 1944 when she was just six years old. At that time anticipating that sections of their Tuscan village, San Martino, would be bombed by the German Army, some villagers flee to the presumed safety of the village cathedral, while Cecilia's family and many others decide to look for the Americans who are supposedly nearby and prepared to liberate them. Spending countless days searching for the Americans, the group finds rest for the first time on the night of the shooting stars, only to be forced the following day to confront the Germans whom they had hoped to escape.

In Italian with optional English or Spanish subtitles 1 hour 43 minutes

Nuovomondo (Golden Door)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Emanuele Crialese

Award-winning (Silver Lion Award, Venice Film Festival) film of the romance that develops between Salvatore Mancuso, a Sicilian peasant and Lucy, a worldly Englishwoman, who meet while traveling to the New World of America via Ellis Island.

In Italian with optional English, French or Spanish subtitles 1 hour 58 minutes

Oggi in Italia, 8th edition

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Tto accompany *Oggi in Italia*, *8th edition* textbook by Franca Celli Merlonghi, Ferdinando Merlonghi, Joseph Tursi, Brian Rea O'Connor © 2007 Houghton Mifflin Co; includes scripted scenes and on-the-street interviews to reinforce vocabulary, structures and themes of each lesson.

Lesson titles: *Lei come si chiama?* (Lesson 1); *Presentazioni* (Lesson 2); *Che cosa fai di bello?* (Lesson 3); *Cosa prendono i signori?* (Lesson 4); *Ad un ballo in maschera* (Lesson 5); *Dov'è andato in vacanza?* (Lesson 6); *Il mercato all'aperto* (Lesson 7); *In famiglia*

(Lesson 8); Un anno all'estero (Lesson 9); Ad una mostra cinematografica (Lesson 10); La settimana bianca (Lesson 11); Chi gioca? (Lesson 12); Cento di questi giorni! (Lesson 13); In cerca di un appartamento (Lesson 14); Il telegiornale (Lesson 15); Che cosa è in programma? (Lesson 16); E dopo la laurea? (Lesson 17); Abiti sempre in città? (Lesson 18)

In Italian with optional Italian captioning for the hearing impaired; 3 copies available Total time: approx. 1 hour 30 minutes

L'Orchestra di Piazza Vittorio

Region 0 (PAL) DVD

Agostino Ferrente (2006)

Documentary film recounting how the L'Orchestra di Piazza Vittorio came into being in a time of racism and conflict in the Piazza Vittorio in Rome; documentary follows the arduous efforts of the Orchestra's founders to create and maintain this unique, multicultural orchestra and documents the group's first performance; includes audio CD *Made in Piazza Vittorio* featuring music from the film.

lin Italian with optional Italian or English subtitles 1 hour 30 minutes

Pagliacci

All Regions 0 (NTSC) DVD

Disc #2 in 2 DVD-set with companion disc *Cavalleria rusticana*; 1982 Franco Zeffirelli production on film of Ruggiero Leoncavallo's opera of love, jealousy, and revenge starring Plácido Domingo as Canio, Teresa Stratas as Nedda, Juan Pons as Tonio; Georges Prêtre, conductor of the Orchestra e Coro del Teatro alla Scala. When clowns Canio and his wife Nedda come to town with their amazing circus act, Nedda falls in love with Tonio, a man in the town. Beppe (Florindo Andreolli), another clown, is mad Nedda does not love him, so he tells her jealous husband about her and Tonio. Canio vows to avenge his betrayal by tricking Nedda to give up her lover's name during a performance.

In Italian with the option of Italian, English, German, Spanish, or Chinese subtitles 1 hour 11 minutes

Palio

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD-R Cosima Spender (2015)

In English and Italian with optional English subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 31 minutes

Pane e tulipani (Bread and Tulips)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD Silvio Soldin (2000)

Donatello Award-winning film featuring Licia Maglietta as Rosalba, a housewife accidentally left behind while on vacation with her family, who decides to hitchhike home but finds herself heading to Venice, a place she has always wanted to see. Deciding she needs an extended vacation, she finds a job in a florist shop and rents a room from a kind waiter. While in Venice, all the while trying to escape the amateur detective her husband has sent from home to track her down, Rosalba befriends an odd mix of people, each teaching her something new about herself. Scene selections and bonus trailer options available.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 56 minutes

Parlami d'amore (Tell Me About Love)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Silvio Muccino (2008)

Sasha (Silvio Muccino), a young man trying to get away from the demons in his past, meets a married Frenchwoman, Nicole (Aitata Sánchez-Gijón), in Rome. Nicole helps Sasha win over the love of his childhood, the troubled but beautiful Benedetta (Carolina Crescentini). When Sasha finally "conquers" Benedetta, he slips back into his troubled past and realizes that he is in love with Nicole, who has a few demons of her own that she must first overcome.

In Italian with the option of Italian or English subtitles

1 hour 50 minutes

La pazza gioia (Like Crazy)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD
Paolo Virzì (2015)
In Italian with optional English subtitles
1 hour 58 minutes

I peggiori (The Worst)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD Vincenzo Alfieri (2017)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 28 minutes

Perfetti sconosciuti (Perfect Strangers)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Paolo Genovese (2015)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 32 minutes

Pinocchio

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-DVD set

Roberto Benigni (2002)

Starring Roberto Benigni as Pinocchio, a wooden puppet come-to-life, who learns some of life's lessons the hard way despite the advice of the Blue Fairy and the love of Geppetto, his father. DVD set includes the original Italian language version of the film and a version dubbed in English by Hollywood actors: Breckin Meyer, Glenn Close, Queen Latifah, James Belushi, Regis Philbin and others; special features include: "The Voices of *Pinocchio*: Creating the English dubbed version." Italian, English, French audio tracks with optional English subtitles 1 hour 40 minutes

La prima cosa bella (The First Beautiful Thing)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Paolo Virzi (2010)

Anna is a mother known for her beauty and vitality, but also plagued by unfortunate relationships combined with her own frivolity. Her son Bruno, who had grown up ashamed of his mother and had renounced the family as a teenager, is now a world-weary professor in Milan. Bruno returns to his hometown of Livorno after his sister Valeria informs him that their mother is sick. As he attends to his mother in her final days, Bruno has the chance to look back on episodes in his life with fresh eyes, and to reconnect one last time with his *mamma bellissima*. In Italian with optional English, French, and Italian for the hearing impaired subtitles 1 hour 58 minutes

Il primo re (The First King)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Matteo Rovere (2019)

In Italian with optional English, Latin, and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 2 hours 2 minutes

I promessi sposi

All-regions DVD

Mario Camerini (1941)

Film version of Alessandro Manzoni's novel; black & white.

In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 55 minutes

I promessi sposi

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Mario Camerini (1941)

Film version of Alessandro Manzoni's novel; black & white.

In Italian, with optional Italian subtitles for hearing impaired

1 hour 52 minutes

I promessi sposi

4 (PAL) DVDs

Sandro Bolchi (1967)

Dramatization of Alessandro Manzoni's novel presented in 8 episodes for RAI television; black & white.

In Italian, no subtitles

Each episode: approx. 45-60 minutes Total time of series: approx. 8 hours

Quando sei nato non puoi più nasconderti (Once You're Born You Can No Longer Hide)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Marco Tullio Giordana (2005)

Film which captures the fear and internal change that accompanies an extremely traumatic experience. When 12 year-old Sandro is cast off his sailboat, all seems lost until he is rescued by a boat of illegal migrants. A change occurs in Sandro when he compares his life of wealth to the poverty of the migrants, a change that will lead him to worlds of trouble; a story of trust and betrayal, of growth and pain. In Italian with option of English or Italian for the hearing-impaired subtitles 1 hour 55 minutes

Radiofreccia

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Luciano Ligabue (1999)

In a small town in Italy in the 1970s, five friends decide to establish an independent radio station. Spending most of their days in their local bar and nights in their town's disco, one of them, Freccia (Stefano Accorsi), becomes addicted to heroin and dies, despite the group's efforts to help him overcome his addiction. After Freccia's death, the remaining friends live out their lives in their small town, but keep their deceased friend's memory alive by naming the radio station "Radiofreccia."

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired

La ragazza del lago (The Girl by the Lake)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Andrea Molaioli (2007)

In Italian with optional English or Spanish subtitles

1 hour 36 minutes

Il ragazzo invisibile (The Invisible Boy)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD
Gabriele Salvatores (2015)
In Italian with optional English or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 37 minutes

Reality

Region 2 (PAL) DVD Matteo Garrone (2012)

Big Brother, a popular reality TV show in which the contestants live together in an isolated house under 24-hour surveillance for months, is holding auditions at a local shopping mall. Keeping a promise to his children, Luciano inveigles his way into an audition for the show even after the venue was closed. Convinced of his own stellar performance with the producers, Luciano spends the following weeks counting his chickens before they hatch. He sells his fish stand and begins to donate all his possessions under the assumption that the producers have sent spies to check up on his moral fiber. He spends his waking hours obsessively watching the TV show he believes he was meant to participate in, ever awaiting an invitation that never comes. Though racked with anxiety over Luciano's mental departure, his family remains supportive and enrolls him in therapy. But can Luciano ever leave the Big Brother house of his mind?

In Italian with optional English or French subtitles, or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired

1 hour 52 minutes

Renzo e Lucia

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Francesca Archibugi (2004)

Loosely based on the Manzoni novel *I promessi sposi*; story of the struggles endured by a pair of lovers, Renzo (Stefano Scandaletti) and Lucia (Michela Macalli), before they eventually "live happily ever after." Among these struggles are the willingness of the town's prince to sacrifice Renzo so that he (the prince) might himself marry Lucia; Lucia's being sent away to a convent where she meets Suor Virginia (Laura Morante), a woman with a hidden past; Renzo's suffering due to hunger, imprisonment, and eventual contracting of the Black Plague.

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 3 hours 9 minutes

Respiro

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Emanuele Crialese (2002)

Cannes Film Festival Critics Week Award-winning film starring Valeria Golino; *Respiro* tells the story of a free-spirited, slightly manic-depressive woman, Grazia, who lives with her husband and three children in the small seaside village of Lampedusa. Grazia has a hard time with the finer points of proper social etiquette and often allows her feelings to sweep her away. Her unconventional behavior alienates the small community. When they finally convince her husband to send her away to a clinic in Milan, Grazia commits an even more impulsive act in a last, desperate attempt to remain free; DVD-ROM special feature facilitates access to *Respiro* website.

In Italian with optional English subtitles
1 hour 35 minutes

Rigoletto

All-regions (NTSC) DVD

Jean-Pierre Ponnelle (1983)

Film version of Giuseppe Verdi's opera; filmed on location and featuring Luciano Pavarotti as the Duke of Mantua, Ingvar Wixell as Rigoletto, the hunch-backed court jester, and Edita Gruberova as Gilda, his daughter. Wiener Philharmoniker conducted by Riccardo Chailly.

In Italian with option of Chinese, English, French, or German subtitles 1 hour 56 minutes

Risate di gioia (The Passionate Thief)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Mario Monicelli (1960)

Starring Totò; on New Year's Eve, Gioia (Anna Magnani), an actress, is invited to a series of parties. At one of the parties she meets up with another actor named Umberto (Totò), an old acquaintance, who is there less to party than to help his con artist friend Lello (Ben Gazzara) steal from the guests while they are distracted by all the festivities. Ignorant of his true purpose for attending the evening's many parties, Gioia begins to fall in love with Lello. One comical situation follows another to make this New Year's Eve an unforgettable one for all involved; black & white. In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 42 minutes

Roma (Fellini's Roma)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Federico Fellini (1972)

An autobiographical account of film director Federico Fellini's life beginning with his education as a child in the countryside of Italy to his arriving in Rome as a young man at the beginning of WWII. Upon encountering Rome for the first time, he is able to decide for himself whether the new Rome he has stumbled upon is anything like the Rome he has always studied.

In Italian with optional subtitles in English, French, or Spanish 2 hours

Roma, città aperta (Open City)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Roberto Rossellini (1945)

The story of Rome during World War II and of the desperation and fear that existed in Italy during the German occupation; black & white.

In Italian with on-screen English subtitles

1 hour 45 minutes

Romanzo criminale (Crime Novel)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Michele Placido (2005)

Three lifelong friends decide to take over the crime ring in Italy after obtaining ransom money. They start off as a small group, slowly gathering members until eventually they take control from those presently in charge. They face complications since the police are constantly on their trail, and romance further infects the friends' plans.

In Italian or dubbed French with optional English or French subtitles 2 hours 33 minutes

Romanzo di una strage (Piazza Fontana: The Italian Conspiracy)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Marco Tullio Giordana (2012)

After the bombing at Piazza Fontana, chief inspector Luigi Calabresi interrogates Giuseppe Pinelli, a nonviolent man who claims that he and his anarchist comrades had nothing to do with it. But much to Pinelli's shock, a fellow anarchist Valpreda suddenly pleads guilty to having planted the bomb. Soon after, Calabresi finds Pinelli's body in the street, supposedly having fallen from the fourth floor of the police station. He questions whether or not his fellow officers had a role in Pinelli's death. As Calabresi continues to investigate, he finds that the bombing and Pinelli's death may have deeper connections than he anticipated.

In Italian with optional English subtitles, or Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 2 hours 4 minutes

Sacro GRA

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Gianfranco Rosi (2013)

A creative look at a different side of Rome: the GRA, *Grande Raccordo Anulare*, the ring-shaped highway surrounding the city. Filmed in an unnarrated observational style, the director shows us scenes in the lives of an ambulance worker, a group of prostitutes, a former prince, a botanist, an eel fisherman, and others who encounter the encircling highway.

In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 31 minutes

Salvatore Giuliano

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD set (Criterion Collection)

Francesco Rosi (1962)

When Salvatore Giuliano, an infamous outlaw, is found dead in the middle of a Sicilian courtyard, the authorities try to understand why he was murdered and why he had ordered a massacre at a peaceful rally. The film goes back and forth through time to try and recreate the events that led up to the May massacre, the death of Giuliano, and eventually the trial of the alleged participants in both crimes. As the trial progresses, alliances are discovered, broken, and formed; and it becomes apparent that corruption has penetrated all sectors of Italy. Disc 2 features: (1) Witness to the Times, a discussion between director Francesco Rosi and film critic Tullio Kezich; (2) excerpt of 7/12/50 news report on the death of the real-life Salvatore Giuliano; (3) *Il cineasta e il labirinto*, 55-minute documentary about Francesco Rosi's life and career; black & white.

In Italian with optional English subtitles

2 hours 3 minutes

Saturno contro (Saturn in Opposition)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Ferzan Ozpetek (2007)

When tragedy strikes a close-knit yet disparate group of friends, they must learn how to help each other deal not only with the situation, but also to address and overcome their own demons. The group includes Antonio and Angelica Pontesilli (Stefano Accorsi & Margherita Buy), a married couple dealing with infidelity; Neval and her husband Roberto (Serra Yilmaz & Flippo Timi), who do not seem like they are married; Roberta (Ambra Angiolini), a drug addict; Sergio (Ennio Fantastichini), the newest member of the group; and Davide (Pierfrancesco Favino), the grieving boyfriend of Lorenzo (Luca Argentero), the charismatic leader of the group.

In Italian with on-screen English subtitles

1 hour 48 minutes

Scialla! (Easy!)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Francesco Bruni (2011)

Luca (Filippo Scicchitano) is a ne'er-do-well high-school student. When his mother

accepts a job overseas, she approaches Bruno (Fabrizio Bentivoglio), a worn out professor turned writer. When asked why he of all people is called upon to accommodate the boy, she informs Bruno that Luca is in fact his long-lost son. When Bruno attempts to discipline his new ward, Luca pushes back and gets further involved in thieving shenanigans with deadly consequences. Luca realizes his mistake and seeks help from Bruno, and the two finally come to terms with their father-son relationship. Additionally, this film offers a good example of the slang, accent, and rap music of Rome (Lazio).

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 40 minutes

La siciliana ribelle (The Sicilian Girl)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Marco Amenta (2008)

As a young girl in Sicily, Rita Atria witnessed the murder of her father, followed a few years later by the assassination of her brother. To avenge her loved ones, Rita goes to an anti-mafia prosecutor with intent to bring down the crime family. Rita quickly finds herself in danger, and she is forced to move under witness protection. But despite the threat to her safety, Rita is resolute to bring down the mob. In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 50 minutes

Smetto quando voglio (I Can Quit Whenever I Want)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Sydney Sibilia (2014)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 41 minutes

Lo spazio bianco (The White Space)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Francesca Comencini (2009)

Maria is pregnant, and with little direction in her life, she's not prepared for her new baby. The upcoming baby affects her romantic life: her boyfriend Pedro breaks up her after he learns that she's pregnant. Maria then has an affair with her doctor. To make matters even more complicated, her baby is born premature.

In Italian with optional Italian for the hearing impaired or English subtitles 1 hour 36 mintues

La stanza del figlio (The Son's Room)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Nanni Moretti (2001)

This film depicts the impact that the death of a son has on an upper-middle-class family. The director shows how things that seem trivial take on greater importance in the aftermath of tragedy. Winner of FIPRESCI Prize and Golden Palm at the 2001 Cannes Film Festival; 2001 David di Donatello Awards for Best Actress (Laura Morante), Best Film, and Best Music; 2002 Guild of German Art House Cinemas Silver Guild Film Award for Best Foreign Film; 2001 Italian National Syndicate of Film Journalists Silver Ribbon Award for Best Director; additional features include optional widescreen version, scene selection, and theatrical trailer. In Italian or French with optional English subtitles

1 hour 40 minutes

La strada

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD set (Criterion Collection) Federico Fellini (1954)

Gelsomina (Giulietta Masina, Fellini's wife), a poor, peculiar girl, is sold by her mother to the famous travelling performer Zampanò (Anthony Quinn), who mistreats her. She helps him with his stunts, but eventually runs away from him because of his abuse. Upon finding her, Zampanò takes Gelsomina back to a circus where he meets his rival, the tightrope walker Il Matto (Richard Basehart), who convinces Gelsomina that Zampanò may well be in love with her. Be that as it may, the lives of these three characters who travel the road (la strada) together end tragically. Also included in this set: Federico Fellini's Autobiography, a documentary by Paquito del Bosco, an essay by film scholar Peter Matthews, audio commentary by Peter Bondanella; optional English-dubbed soundtrack; black & white. In Italian with optional English subtitles

1 hour 48 minutes

Terraferma (Mainland)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Emanuele Crialese (2011)

Filippo and his family live on a small island off the coast of Sicily known for fishing and tourism. This island also tends to be the destination of immigrants from Africa seeking asylum. Filippo's family loses their only source of income after their fishing boat is seized for having rescued immigrants stranded at sea. The law of the city forbids assisting illegal immigrants, but the age-old "law of the sea" forbids any sailor from leaving a man overboard. Herein lies the ethical quandary that affects southern Italy today: assisting illegal immigrants burdens the local community, but at the same time these immigrants are human beings who have suffered immense hardships and are desperately risking their lives for refuge.

In Italian with optional Italian for the hearing impaired or English subtitles 1 hour 30 minutes

La terra trema

Region 0 (PAL) DVD

Luchino Visconti (1948)

Film that chronicles the rise and fall of a tight-knit family in Sicily. By working for himself, the eldest brother tries to defy wholesale buyers who maintain a monopolistic hold on the poor, individual fisherman. An unfortunate event at sea rips his dreams apart, however, leaving his family with nothing. Filmed on location with real Sicilian fishermen.

In Italian, including Sicilian dialect, with the option of Italian, French, or English subtitles

2 hours 34 minutes

La tigre e la neve (The Tiger and the Snow)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Roberto Benigni (2005)

In the days following the 2003 American invasion of Iraq, Attilio, a romantic Italian poetry teacher (Roberto Benigni), learns that the woman he loves (Nicoletta Braschi) has been seriously injured in Baghdad. Attilio must cross battle lines and overcome extreme odds to save her, with the help of his friend Fuad, an Iraqi poet (Jean Reno). The comic and beautiful mix with the somber and tragic in this story of

love and war.
In Italian with English subtitles
1 hour 50 minutes

Tosca

All-regions (NTSC) DVD

Gianfranco de Bosio (1976)

Film version of the Giacomo Puccini opera; filmed on location in Rome in the historical settings specified by the composer; features Raina Kabaivanska as Tosca, Plácido Domingo as Cavaradossi, and Sherrill Milnes as Scarpia; New Philharmonia Orchestra conducted by Bruno Bartoletti.

In Italian with optional Chinese, English, French, German, or Spanish subtitles 1 hr 56 minutes

Il traditore (The Traitor)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Marco Bellocchio (2019)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 2 hours 26 minutes

Tutta la vita davanti (Your Whole Life Ahead of You)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Paolo Virzì (2008)

Comedy; when Marta (Isabella Ragonese) graduates from college with a degree in philosophy, she must go into the world and find a job. She is lured into the world of telemarketing, where she is brainwashed through motivational exercises and rewards. Collaborating with a union worker, Marta aspires to bring change to this call center world.

In Italian with optional Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 46 minutes

L'ultimo bacio (The Last Kiss)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Gabriele Muccino (2001)

In this Donatello Award-winning film, eight principal characters wrestle with the

fear of growing up, responsibility, and the fear of growing older in this "story of all love stories" that focuses on Carlo (Stefano Accorsi) and Giulia (Giovanna Mezzogiorno), two middle-class thirtysomethings, who are about to get married and have a child.

In Italian, with option of English, French, or Spanish subtitles; also available in VHS (PAL) video without subtitles

1 hour 58 minutes

L'uomo che verrà (The Man Who Will Come)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Giorgio Diritti (2009)

This film follows one child's journey through World War II. Martina has refused to speak ever since witnessing her baby brother's death. Life in her rural village is difficult, and most are struggling just to make ends meet. As the war draws closer and closer, some of the villagers form a resistance group against the Nazis called the "Partisans." But the Nazis overwhelm them, leading to the Marzabotto massacre. Martina only hopes that she and her family won't be killed. In Italian with optional Italian for the hearing impaired or English subtitles 1 hour 56 minutes

Veloce come il vento (Italian Race)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Matteo Rovere (2016)

In Italian with optional English and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired 1 hour 54 minutes

Il vento fa il suo giro (The Wind Blows Round)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Giorgio Diritti (2005)

Ex-professor Philippe Héraud (Thierry Toscan) seeks a new home for him and his family in the Occitan Alps. Having left civilization due to its unnecessary bureaucracies and nuclear power plants, Philippe, who had become a shepherd, now makes goat cheese for a living. He settles in the quiet mountain village of Chersogno, provoking the suspicion of its elderly inhabitants. Along with these few residents, the isolated Occitan village is supported only by summer tourists.

Recognizing the shepherd's benevolence and desiring any kind of civic restoration, the town's council accepts the newcomers. Presently, however, misunderstandings abound due to Philippe's rugged individualism and insensitivity to local cultural traditions and property rights. These combined with jealousy culminate in a sour feud between the residents and the newcomers.

In Italian, French, & Occitan with optional Italian, English, & French subtitles 1 hour 50 minutes

Viaggio sola (A Five Star Life)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Maria Sole Tognazzi (2013)

Irene Lorenzi is a hotel inspector who poses as a guest and reports on the quality of luxury hotels around the world. She spends her off-time with either her ex-turned-friend or her sister's family, at once a comfort but also a gnawing reminder of her own loneliness. At a hotel in Berlin, she meets an anthropologist who suggests that life should be an adventure of fulfilling experiences with others. When her new friend suddenly dies of a heart attack, Irene who once thought of herself as a free person, traveling the world in luxury and living a better life than most, now admits that it's not in freedom she's lived, but in isolation. In Italian with optional English subtitles and Italian subtitles for the hearing impaired

1 hour 18 minutes

Videocracy

Region 0 (NTSC) DVD

Erik Gandini (2009)

This documentary focuses on the celebrity empire of Silvio Berlusconi, who was Italy's most powerful political figure. Berlusconi started his media image with a late night broadcast of a game show with a stripping housewife. Eventually, that game show would expand and help him claim the media throne. Aside from Berlusconi, director Gandini interviews a mechanic aspiring to make it big, and a paparazzo who blackmails celebrities with his photos.

In English and Italian with English subtitles

La vita è bella (Life is Beautiful)

Region 1 (NTSC) DVD

Roberto Benigni (1998)

Academy Award-winning ("Best Foreign Language Film") film starring "Best Actor" Roberto Benigni; Benigni plays a silly and imaginative Jewish Italian waiter named Guido. Years after successfully wooing the woman of his dreams, their young family is taken to a Nazi concentration camp near the end of WWII. Guido uses his humor and ingenuity to protect his son from the horrors of the camp; special features include a "making of," commercials, and trailers.

In Italian or English with optional English subtitles 1 hour 56 minutes

I vitelloni

Region 1 (NTSC) 2-disc DVD set (Criterion Collection) Federico Fellini (1953)

Comedic-dramatic film; in a small Italian coastal town, five friends refuse to grow up, even though they are almost in their thirties. Fausto Moretti (Franco Fabrizi), the most notorious of them, has to marry his friend Moraldo Rubini's (Franco Interlenghi) sister Sandra (Leonora Ruffo) after she becomes pregnant with Fausto's child. He is forced to get a job at a shop for religious relics but is fired because he makes a pass at his boss's wife. Fausto still wants to live the carefree life that the rest of his bachelor friends enjoy; however, one day his wife Sandra disappears with their child, and Moretti realizes that he has to grow up and become a responsible man. Disc 2 includes: (1) *Vitellonismo*, documentary featuring interviews with actors, assistant director Moraldo Rossi, Fellini's biographer, Fellini's friend Vincenzo Mollica et al.; (2) photos, posters and memorabilia; set also includes an essay by Tom Piazza; black & white.

In Italian with optional English subtitles 1 hour 47 minutes

Viva la libertà (Long Live Freedom!)

Region 2 (PAL) DVD

Roberto Andò (2013)

Overwhelmed by falling approval ratings, Senator Enrico Oliveri needs to get away. Without word he disappears to Paris to stay with an old girlfriend and her husband

until he can regain his footing. Back in Rome, however, the situation is tense with the politico's disappearance. Desperate for a solution, Oliveri's assistant contacts the senator's twin brother, a gregarious writer and philosopher and part-time patient of a mental hospital. Could this lovable doppelgänger be the answer to their problems?

In Italian with on-screen English subtitles

1 hour 34 minutes

Videocassettes

1860

1/2" VHS black & white videocassette

This historical drama centers on a messenger delivering a request to Giuseppe Garibaldi, the leading general in the *Risorgimento* (Italian unification movement) of 1860. This 1933 film is directed by Alessandro Blasetti, who is enormously influential in the emerging era of neorealism in Italian cinema.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 12 minutes

Aida

1/2" VHS color videocassette

The Emmy Award-winning 1989 Metropolitan Opera production of Verdi's opera starring Aprile Millo as Aida, Plácido Domingo as Radamès, Sherrill Milnes as Amonasro, and Dolora Zajick as Amneris; James Levine, conductor.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 38 minutes

Attualità Video

1/2" VHS color videocassette

11 episodes present various facets of Italian life and culture: *gli sport, gli svaghi, la vita universitaria, il giorni di festa, la tavola, la televisione, l'abbligliamento, l'economia, la donna contemporanea, il servizio di leva, il turismo;* accompanying Viewer's Manual provides vocabulary, pre-viewing and post-viewing activities, map of Italy, puzzles,

answer key to puzzles; 2 copies available. Approx. 60 minutes

Il Barbiere di Siviglia

1/2" VHS black & white videocassette
1947 Mario Costa production of Rossini's opera starring Tito Gobbi as Figaro,
Ferrucio Tagliavini as Count Almaviva and Nelly Corradi as Rosina.
In Italian, no subtitles
90 minutes

Il Barbiere di Siviglia

1/2" VHS color videocassette

A Jean-Pierre Ponnelle film of Rossini's two-act opera; Claudio Abbado, conductor; cast includes: Luigi Alva, Enzo Dara, Teresa Berganza, Hermann Prey, Paolo Montarsolo, chorus and orchestra of Teatro alla Scala; synopsis available. In Italian with English subtitles 2 hours 22 minutes

Basic Italian by Video

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Provides a 1,000 word/phrase working vocabulary for those interested in learning Italian for travel, business, school and/or pleasure; each of the forty-three "most often encountered life situations" is enacted with subtitles in Italian and in English on the screen; for beginning students.

90 minutes

La battaglia del San Martino

1/2" VHS color videocassette

A 2002 documentary directed by Fabio Corradi and Rodolfo Ossuzio and subtitled "1943 Una prima azione di resistenza in Italia;" this film reconstructs the WWII story of the battle of San Martino which Colonel Carlo Croce and his men survived and which united the *Comunità Montana della Valcuvia*; features interviews, historical documents and individual accounts.

In Italian, no subtitles 43 minutes

Bellissimo: Images of the Italian Cinema

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Overview of Italian film production from the 1940s to the late 1980s; includes clips from famous films such as *Open City, Divorce Italian Style, The Bicycle Thief*, etc. and features virtually every great personality in Italian filmmaking.

In Italian with English subtitles, some sections with English narration

1 hour 50 minutes

La Bohème

1/2" VHS color videocassette

The Genoa Opera Company's production of Giacomo Puccini's 4-act opera filmed live at the Tianquiao Theatre in Beijing, People's Republic of China, in 1986; conducted by Leone Magiera; directed by Giancarlo Menotti; starring Luciano Pavarotti in the role of the poet Rodolfo and Fiamma Izzo D'Amico as Mimi; also featuring Madelyn Renee as Musetta and Roberto Servile as Marcello. In Italian with English subtitles 2 hours

Buongiorno Italia

Ten 1/2" VHS color videocassettes

Twenty beginner-level programs which include conversations and interviews with Italians going about their daily lives and which show different aspects of Italian culture; aim of program is to get student to understand and to use simple colloquial Italian; filmed in Stresa in Northern Italy and in Orvieto in Central Italy; for more information see *Supplementary Language Study Tapes Listing* (section II).

Each program: 25 minutes

Total time: approx. 8 hours 20 minutes

Caravaggio

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1991 European Video Library documentary film about the Italian painter Caravaggio's short life (1571–1610) and career; includes study of the self-portraits of

Caravaggio's early years, as well as of the large-scale paintings created for Rome's churches; also addresses the artist's escape from Rome following a murder, and a look at works produced at the end of his life.

In English

28 minutes

The Caravaggio Conspiracy

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1984 BBC Television/RM Arts-produced program that provides an inside look at the realities of the world of art dealing, including checking a work for authenticity, artificial auction bids, resurfacing of stolen art; follows the 1979–1982 adventure of *London Times* journalist Peter Watson disguised as a wealthy art dealer as he tries to recover stolen masterpieces, including a Caravaggio.

In English

1 hour

Cavalleria Rusticana

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Franco Zeffirelli's film of Mascagni's one-act opera; filmed on location in Vizzini, Sicily; cast includes: Elena Obraztsova, Plácido Domingo, Fedora Barbieri, Renato Bruson and Axelle Gall; conducted by Georges Prêtre; synopsis available. In Italian with English subtitles

70 minutes

Cento giorni a Palermo

1/2" VHS (PAL) color videocassette

Giuseppe Ferrara (1984)

Starring Lino Ventura and Giuliana de Sio; story of General Carlo Alberto Dalla Chiesa's 100 days as Prefect of Palermo and his struggles to take on the Mafia.

In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 50 minutes

Ciao, professore!

1/2" VHS color videocassette

A Lina Wertmuller film about a stiff, conservative, upper-class teacher from Northern Italy who by mistake ends up teaching a rowdy group of children in Southern Italy. Although at first terrified of his situation, the professor soon adapts to his little charges and finds himself delightfully surprised, as these youngsters have some lessons of their own to teach the professor.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 31 minutes

Cinema Paradiso

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Giuseppe Tornatore (1989)

Starring Philippe Noiret, Jacques Perrin, Antonella Attili, and Salvatore Cascio; story of a young boy named Salvatore and of his friendship with Alfredo, the projectionist at the Cinema Paradiso, a movie theatre in a small Italian village; from Alfredo and from the movies, Salvatore learns about love and about pursuing his dream of making movies of his own; 30 years after leaving the village to pursue his dream, Salvatore returns home to find a secret, beautiful discovery awaiting him there. In Italian with yellow English subtitles

2 hours

A Class Act

1/2" VHS color videocassette © 1987

About teachers and foreign language teaching as a career; professionally filmed with practicing teachers and former teachers in the workplace; aimed at recruiting foreign language teachers for the future.

In English

15 minutes

Collaborations: Meeting New Goals, Realities

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Produced in 1997 by the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in conjunction with the *1997 Northeast Conference Reports* volume; presents examples of classroom scenarios that each focus on one of the five goal

areas (listed below) of the *National Standards for Foreign Language Learning;* series of accompanying discussion questions available 54 minutes

Goals:

- 1. Communication Goal: Meaning Making through a Whole Language Approach
- 2. *Cultures Goal:* Using Video to Explore Perspectives, Practices, and Products of Guatemalan Culture
- 3. Connections Goal: Making New Connections through Interdisciplinary Lessons
- 4. *Comparisons Goal:* Using Linguistic and Cultural Comparisons to Help Students Succeed in Learning
- 5. Communities Goal: Using a Foreign Language to Connect with the Community

Confessione di un commissario di polizia al procuratore della repubblica (Confessions of a Police Captain)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Damiano Damiani (1971)

Starring Martin Balsam as a "bad cop" and Franco Nero as district attorney; a Mafia drama about corruption, murder, and deceit.

In English (with possible dubbing in some scenes)

1 hour 42 minutes

Cultural Literacy and Interactive Language Instruction

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1988

Narrated by Marlies Mueller of the Dept. of Romance Languages and Literatures at Harvard University; illustrates a variety of activities designed to teach language through literature: (1) discussion of ideas via simulated news broadcasts and interviews with famous people, (2) vocabulary study, (3) grammar activities, (4) student dramatizations, (5) oral testing; begins by illustrating negative classroom techniques; ends with student discussion (in English) of the "language-through-literature" classes; all illustrations are from elementary and advanced French classes.

Narration in English 55 minutes

Don Giovanni

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1954 film of Mozart's opera starring Cesare Siepi as Don Giovanni; other artists performing are: Otto Edelmann (Leporello), Elisabeth Grümmer (Donna Anna), Lisa Della Casa (Donna Elvira), Erna Berger (Zerlina), Anton Dermota (Don Ottavio), Walter Berry (Masetto), Deszö Ernster (Commendatore); Furtwängler, conductor; a Salzburg Festival performance.

In Italian with Japanese subtitles

2 hours 50 minutes

Don Giovanni

Two 1/2" VHS color videocassettes

1989 La Scala performance of Mozart's opera starring Thomas Allen as Don Giovanni, Edita Gruberova as Donna Anna, Ann Murray as Donna Elvira, Francisco Araiza as Don Ottavio; Riccardo Muti, conductor; Giorgio Strehler, stage director. In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 57 minutes

Ecco l'Italia

Five 1/2" VHS color videocassettes

Featuring news and cultural programming aired on the RAI television network between December, 1989 and April, 1990; for use by intermediate to advanced students; among the features included are: news of the day, interviews with famous Italians (ex. Fellini, Zeffirelli), Leopardi, fashion, FIAT, music (San Remo '89 Festival), sports, regions of Italy; accompanying 249-page binder of "Interactive Video Materials," produced by the Dept. of Italian Studies at Brown University, includes scripts, pre-viewing, follow-up, vocabulary, true-false, fill-in, questionnaire-type, matching, and other exercises for selected video segments

No subtitles

Each videocassette: 60 minutes

Ernani

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1982 La Scala production of Verdi's opera starring Plácido Domingo, Mirella Freni, Renato Bruson and Nicolai Ghiaurov; Riccardo Muti, conductor.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 15 minutes

Falstaff

1/2" VHS color videocassette

July 16, 1982, Royal Opera House, Covent Garden production of Verdi's opera starring Renato Bruson, Katia Ricciarelli, Leo Nucci and Barbara Hendricks; conducted by Carlo Maria Giulini.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 21 minutes

La Forza del Destino

Two 1/2" VHS color videocassettes

March 24,1984 Metropolitan Opera Co. production of Verdi's opera starring Leontyne Price, Giuseppe Giacomini and Leo Nucci.

In Italian with English subtitles

3 hours

Francesca da Rimini

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Riccardo Zandonai's opera starring Renata Scotto as Francesca and Plácido Domingo as Paolo Malatesta; story based on the fifth canto of Dante's Inferno; April 4 and 7, 1984 Metropolitan Opera production.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 28 minutes

Il giorno della civetta

1/2" VHS (PAL) color videocassette

A Damiano Damiani film starring Claudia Cardinale, Franco Nero and Lee J. Cobb based on the novel by Leonardo Sciascia; "In a Sicilian town a building contractor is killed. The arrest of a suspect causes a bustle among the *maggiorenti* of the mafia who want to let the murder pass as a crime of honor. There is no trace of the presumed culprit, but a piece of information leads the captain of police to believe that the supposed culprit must have been killed and buried under a blanket of tar. Further investigation yields nothing."

In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 44 minutes

Giovanni Falcone

1/2" VHS (PAL) color videocassette

Giuseppe Ferrara (1993)

Starring Michele Placido and Giancarlo Giannini; story of the 10 years of investigation and war waged against the Mafia beginning in the 1980s by Giovanni Falcone and a Palermo-based "anti-Mafia judges pool" (Rocco Chinnici, Paolo Borsellino, et al.)

In Italian, no subtitles

2 hours 5 minutes

Gioviano: Un paese di collina

1/2" VHS color videocassette

An overview of everyday life in a hilltown in a remote part of Italy (the Garfagnana); shows how people there strive to maintain their traditions while living in the modern world; sheet of fifteen study questions and answers available.

30 minutes

Going International

Four 1/2" VHS color videocassettes

Designed to help the traveler develop cross-cultural skills required for a successful international experience.

In English

• *Bridging the Culture Gap* — contrasts one's own unconscious cultural values/habits with those of the diverse cultures of the world; explains

cultural taboos and accepted standards of behavior. 30 minutes

- Managing the Overseas Assignment shows how cultural misunderstandings
 can affect the traveler's ability to accomplish goals in such diverse countries
 as Japan, Saudi Arabia, England, India, and Mexico; includes explanation of
 what went wrong in each situation and proposes ways for improving results.
 30 minutes
- Beyond Culture Shock for the family or the individual moving abroad; explains the psychological phases of the adjustment process; provides practical suggestions for making life abroad a positive experience.
 30 minutes
- Welcome Home, Stranger focuses on the unexpected problems of returning home and how to overcome the difficulties of "re-entry" into the workplace, community, and school environment.
 15 minutes

Hand-Held Delight

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Produced in Summer 2000 by the Boston College Audiovisual Department in association with the Boston College Lambda Psi chapter of Pi Delta Phi (National French Honor Society), this video, produced in conjunction with the Lambda Psi chapter's exhibit of the same name at the McMullen Museum of Art at Boston College (June 14–September 24, 2000), highlights several of the 18th- and 19th-century European fans from the permanent Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Hicks Collection at Boston College; also includes a study of 18th-century fan construction as illustrated by the *Eventailliste* (Fan-Maker) plates from the *Encyclopédie* of Denis Diderot; English-language captions and period music.

Approx. 27 minutes

Heinle & Heinle Satellite Videoconference #2: On Mentoring Foreign Language TAs, Lecturers, and Adjunct Faculty

1/2" VHS color videocassette

The October 25, 2000 second annual national videoconference on issues in language program direction sponsored by Heinle & Heinle Publishers and broadcast from the Georgia Center for Continuing Education; based on the AAUSC

(American Association of University Supervisors, Coordinators and Directors of Foreign Language Programs) volume *Mentoring Foreign Language TAs, Lecturers, and Adjunct Faculty* edited by Benjamin Rifkin; videoconference moderated by Robert Terry (University of Richmond) with featured speakers: Elizabeth Bernhardt (Stanford University), Tom Blair (City College of San Francisco), Lara Lomicka (Penn State University), Susan Navey-Davis (North Carolina State University), Rebecca Oxford (University of Maryland); in addition to delivering formal presentations and participating in discussions on the topic of mentoring, speakers respond to viewers' questions.

2 hours

Heinle & Heinle Satellite Videoconference #3: Teaching in Today's Multilevel Classroom

1/2" VHS color videocassette

The February 6, 2002 third annual national videoconference on issues in language program direction sponsored by Heinle & Heinle Publishers and broadcast from the Georgia Center for Continuing Education; videoconference moderated by Robert Terry (University of Richmond) with featured speakers: Kerry S.G. Driscoll (University of Iowa and Coe College), Jean-Louis Hippolyte (Kansas State University), Patti J. Marinelli (University of South Carolina), and Kimberley A. Sallee (University of Missouri-Columbia); in addition to delivering formal presentations and participating in discussions on the topic of placement in the multilevel classroom where students of varying abilities/backgrounds in the target language come together, speakers respond to viewers' questions.

2 hours

In italiano

Two 1/2" VHS color videocassettes

"Home study enrichment version" of 26-lesson multi-media course in Italian language and civilization developed by the Italian University for Foreigners in Perugia, Italy and adapted for use in North America by Coast Community College (Fountain Valley, CA); designed for use by beginning through advanced-level students either within a traditional classroom situation or in a self-instructional program; uses a communicative-situational approach, introduced by an on-camera instructor, to provide practice in listening comprehension, speaking and use of

grammatical structures; each unit includes *elementi di civiltà* (words and images related to Italian civilization/culture); accompanying texts include:

- (1) A Preview for the Telecourse In Italiano 45-page text outlining the method of the program, lesson objectives and summaries
- (2) In Italiano: Telecourse Study Guide 294-page text containing tips for viewing the video, grammar explanations, cultural notes, vocabulary lists, directions for the use of the corresponding Grammar/Textbook, answer keys for the exercises in the Grammar/Textbook
- (3) In Italiano: Grammatica Italiana per Stranieri 618-page grammar text written completely in Italian
- (4) In Italiano: A Handbook for Comparison and Contrast for English-Speaking Students
- 251-page text intended to address the principal difficulties native speakers of English encounter in the study of Italian.

Each video lesson: 30 minutes

Total time: 13 hours

In nome della legge

1/2" VHS (PAL) black & white videocassette Pietro Germi (1949)

Featuring Massimo Girotti, Jone Salinas, Peppino Spadaro and Charles Vanel; at once a romantic vision of the Mafia in Sicily and a description of the face of the Mafia with its historical and social implications; Synopis: A young police magistrate in Sicily struggles against the law of the country, the Mafia and the loftiness of the place. When the local Baron learns that the magistrate is intending to get to the bottom of things, he first tries to corrupt him and then tries to have him killed by the Mafia. Despite injuries suffered during this attempt on his life, the magistrate does not go along with a proposed transfer of work assignment, but decides to stay and continue to fight the Mafia.

In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 38 minutes

Interact '89

1/2" VHS color videocassette

The satellite teleconference, "Using Technology in the Modern Language Classroom," from California State University at Chico (May 10, 1989). Participants include: Frank Otto of Brigham Young University, Rick Altman and James Pusack of PICS, Lee Ann Stone of UC at Irvine; their discussion includes task-based activities for the language lab, use of video and authentic foreign television programming and the availability of videodisc.

In English
90 minutes

Italia contemporanea

1/2" VHS color "demonstration" videocassette

Subtitled "Conversations with Native Speakers," this demo video features brief excerpts (ranging in duration from seconds to 2+ minutes) from the full-length video (© 2000 Yale University Press) intended for use by elementary to intermediate level language learners; promotional booklet containing table of contents, sample lesson plan, selected transcripts and notes on the use of the program is available.

7 minutes 10 seconds

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Four 1/2" VHS color video cassettes

Produced in 1992 by the BBC, each containing two or three programs focusing on the daily life of Italians and coordinated with the unit chapters of the beginning-level text and activity book *Italianissimo 1* by Denise De Rôme, Rossella Peressini and Loredana Polezzi; each unit divided into two main parts (introduction to aspects of contemporary Italian society and the culture underlying the language) and two parts for reference (vocabulary and troubleshooting notes); multimedia program features a "twin-track approach" to the study of grammar via the "core" or basic communicative needs course of study (track 1) and more complete, in-depth explanations (track 2); accompanying text and activity book, as well as audio program available.

Each video unit: 13–14 minutes Total time: 2 hours 30 minutes

Johnny Stecchino

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Roberto Benigni (1992)

In this hysterical tale of mistaken identity described as "the Marx Brothers meet the Godfather," Benigni plays the role of Dante, a bus driver who's a dead ringer for Johnny Toothpick, a notorious *mafioso*.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 40 minutes

Languages at Work

1/2" VHS color videocassette 1989

Narrated by Marlies Mueller of the Dept. of Romance Languages and Literatures at Harvard University; illustrates a variety of activities for the language classroom: warm-up, grammar-related, role-playing, group work, warm-down activities; illustrations are given in French, Italian and Spanish by Harvard faculty members in elementary-level language classes.

Narration in English 35 minutes

Lamerica

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1994 award-winning ("Best Director" at Venice Film Festival, Felix Award for "Best European Film") film directed by Gianni Amelio starring Enrico Lo Verso; the story of two Italian businessmen, Gino and Fiore, who attempt to set up a business scam in poverty-stricken Albania just after its emanicipation from Communism; the two first engage an Albanian (Spiro), a long-time prisoner of war, as "chairman" of their company, but upon his disappearance, the business deal goes sour; Gino is then forced to live as an Albanian, and thereby comes to understand what it means to be a poor and powerless refugee.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 56 minutes

Life Is Beautiful (La vita è bella)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1998 Academy Award-winning ("Best Foreign Language Film") film starring "Best Actor" Roberto Benigni; Benigni plays an imaginative, funny waiter named Guido

who falls in love and marries a school teacher named Dora (Nicoletta Braschi); during the last months of World War II, Guido, an Italian Jew, Dora and their son Giosué are taken to a Nazi concentration camp where Guido uses his ingenuity and inner strength to continue to communicate with his wife (in another camp) and to protect his son from the horrors of his surroundings by turning the situation into a game.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 56 minutes

Macbeth

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Deutsche Oper Berlin production of Verdi's opera starring Mara Zampieri; Renato Bruson, David Griffith, James Morris and Dennis O'Neill; conducted by Giuseppe Sinopoli.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 30 minutes

Manon Lescaut

1/2" VHS color videocassette

May 17, 1983 Royal Opera House, Covent Garden production of Puccini's opera starring Kiri Te Kanawa as Manon, Plácido Domingo as Chevalier Des Grieux and Thomas Allen as Lescaut.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 10 minutes

The Marriage of Figaro

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1973 Glyndebourne Festival production of Mozart's opera starring Kiri Te Kanawa as The Countess, Ileana Cotrubas as Susanna, Frederica Von Stade as Cherubino, and Benjamin Luxon as Count Almaviva; John Pritchard, conductor.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 48 minutes

Masterpieces of Italian Art: Caravaggio and the Baroque

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Program 5 of the 1990 Rizzoli-produced *Masterpieces of Italian Art* series; features the work of the painters Caravaggio, Correggio, Lotto, Parmigianino and Tintoretto, as well as that of architects Sansovino, Palladio, Bernini and Borromini. In English

53 minutes

McGraw-Hill Satellite Teleconference #1: From Theory to Practice: The Natural Approach

1/2" VHS color videocassette

February 23, 1994 McGraw-Hill satellite teleconference (from California State University at Long Beach) on second language acquisition theory and how to apply it to the classroom; program, moderated by Dr. Gerard Ervin of Ohio State, features presentation by Dr. Stephen Krashen and panel discussion/questions-answers with Jeanne Egasse, Erwin Tschirner, Mary Rogers, Magdalena Andrade and Elías Miguel Muñoz.

Topic of discussion: Tracy Terrell's Natural Approach to language instruction; available: multiple copies of teleconference handout containing biographies of conference panelists, outline of Krashen's presentation and Natural Approach theory.

2 hours

McGraw-Hill Satellite Teleconference #2: A New Look at Authentic Materials 1/2" VHS color videocassette

February, 15 1995 second annual McGraw-Hill satellite teleconference (from California State University at Long Beach) on second language acquisition theory and practice; program, moderated by Dr. Gerard Ervin of Ohio State, features presentations by Dr. Wilga Rivers (Harvard University) and Dr. June Phillips (Weber State and ACTFL), and panel discussion/questions-answers with Drs. Robert Blake (University of California, Davis), Robert Di Donato (Miami University), Raymond Elliott (University of Texas, Arlington), L. Kathy Heilenman (University of Iowa), and Yasu-Hiko Tohsaku (University of California, San Diego).

Topic of discussion: use of authentic materials in the foreign language classroom; features videotaped examples of teachers using realia, authentic readings and video in the classroom; available: copy of teleconference handout containing

outline of program.

2 hours

McGraw-Hill Satellite Teleconference #3: Integrating Technology into the Language Curriculum

1/2" VHS color videocassette

October 23, 1996 third annual McGraw-Hill satellite teleconference (from California State University at Long Beach) on second language acquisition theory and practice; program, moderated by Dr. Gerard Ervin of Ohio State, features presentations entitled *The Role of Technology* by Dr. Robert J. Blake (University of California, Davis) and *Technology and the Communicative Language Classroom* by Dr. Bill Van Patten (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign) followed by panel discussion/questions-answers with Drs. Gail Robinson-Stuart (San Diego State University), Richard Kern (University of California, Berkeley), Christopher M. Jones (Carnegie-Mellon University), James P. Pusack (University of Iowa), Karen Price (Harvard University)

Topic of discussion: attempt to answer the following 4 questions: What is technology good for? Where does technology live? What is the process for integrating technology? How does the language instructor get good materials? 2 hours

McGraw-Hill Satellite Teleconference #4: Grammar in the Communicative Language Classroom

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Fall 1997 fourth annual McGraw-Hill teleconference (from California State University at Long Beach) on second language acquisition theory and practice; program, moderated by Dr. Gerard Ervin of Ohio State features presentations by Dr. Diane Musumeci (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign) and Dr. Michael H. Long (University of Hawaii, Manoa); also includes panel discussion/questions-answers with Drs. Elizabeth Bernhardt (Stanford University), Patsy Lightbown (Concordia University, Montreal), Theodore Higgs (San Diego State University), and Bill VanPatten (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign)

Topic of discussion: attempt to answer the following 4 questions: Should grammar be explicitly taught in the communicative language classroom? Does grammar instruction make a difference in the acquisition of a second language? If so, what

are the effects? What approach to grammar instruction should be followed? 2 hours

Mediterraneo

1/2" VHS color videocassette

A 1991 Academy Award winner for Best Foreign film, this romantic comedy is riveted with unexpected scandal and surprising love affairs. After Italian sailors find themselves stranded on what appears to be a deserted Greek island, they there discover their enemies who soon become love interests. The sailors no longer consider themselves stranded, as this island turns out to be heaven on earth. In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 30 minutes

Il mestiere delle armi

1/2"VHS (PAL) color videocassette

Ermanno Olmi (2001)

Donatello and Golden Globe Award-winning film starring Hristo Jivkov; story of the life and death of Joanni de Medici, known as "Giovanni dalle Bande Nere," a young captain of the Pontifical troops engaged in the war waged against Pope Clement VII by German Emperor Charles V in 1526; On November 24th of that year, Giovanni is mortally wounded by an explosive missile and dies an agonizing death four days later; portrait of loneliness and the job of being a soldier.

In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 40 minutes

Il Mostro (The Monster)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

A 1994 "anything goes" comedy featuring Roberto Benigni and Nicoletta Braschi; Loris (Benigni) is taken by surprise when his new attractive roommate Jessica (Braschi) turns out to be an undercover police officer attempting to snag a suspected serial killer. Little does Loris know that he is the one being accused! A series of coincidental mix-ups makes this comedy a hilarious one with an unexpected ending.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 51 minutes

Mussolini and Fascism

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Produced in 1991 as part of the Warwick History Video series; features Prof. J.A. Davis with Dennis Mack Smith discussing the story of Mussolini's ascent to power, separation from socialism, the 1922 "March on Rome," dictatorial powers, opportunism, the conquest of Abyssinia, the alignment with Nazi Germany, the African debacle, the 1943 invasion of Sicily.

In English

30 minutes

Otello

1/2" VHS black & white videocassette

1959 film of Verdi's opera starring Mario Del Monaco as Otello, Rosanna Carteri as Desdemona, Renato Capecchi as Iago, Plinio Clabassi as Lodovico; Tullio Serafin, conductor.

In Italian, no subtitles

2 hours 16 minutes

Otello

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Film of Verdi's four-act opera; Herbert Von Karajan, conductor and director; cast includes; Jon Vickers, Mirella Freni, Peter Glossop, Stefania Malagú, Aldo Bottion, José Van Dam, Berlin Philharmoniker; synopsis available.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 21 minutes

Parliamo italiano

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Produced by DUNE Produzioni Cinematografiche e Televise in association with Houghton Mifflin Company; designed to complement introductory Italian texts; 12 modules present the adventures of two characters, Piero and Gabriella, who travel throughout Italy (to 11 different cities/regions) with the objective of producing a travel guide for their employer, a travel agency.

Approx. 60 minutes

Contents:

Visitare (Roma) Vestirsi (Milano)

Studiare (Bologna) Lavorare (Torino)

Abitare (Sicilia) Viaggiare (Sardengna)

Comprare (Umbria) Uscire (Napoli)

Mangiare (Liguria) Leggere (Firenze)

Rilassarsi (Venezia) Sognare

La passione dell'arte

1/2" VHS (PAL) videocassette

Brief tour of Luigi Magnani's private collection of paintings (ancient and modern) and sculpture housed in the Fondazione Magnani-Rocca in the park of the Corte di Mamiano near Parma, Italy; collection includes works by Gentile da Fabriano, Tiziano. Goya, Monet, Renoir, Braque, among many others; several close-ups of paintings/sculpture with commentary provided by off-screen narrator. Approx. 12 minutes

Pastificio Delverde: Fara San Martino

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Short, informative, documentary-style film about pasta-making as demonstrated in the factory of the Delverde Pasta Company; all aspects of the process, from raw materials to the lab to packaging and selling of Delverde pastas are shown.

In Italian, no subtitles

12 minutes 23 seconds

Placido Rizzotto

1/2" VHS (PAL) color videocassette

Pasquale Scimeca (2001)

Starring Marcello Mazzarella in the title role; based on the real life story of Placido

Rizzotto, a Sicilian trade union leader murdered in 1948, who fought against the Corleonese Mafia's corruption and control of unions, its taking of land, and exploitation of peasants in the 1940s; includes violent, visually and emotionally intense imagery.

In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 44 minutes

Poetry and the Teaching of Foreign Languages

1/2" VHS color videocassette (1991)

Demonstration of teaching techniques where poetry is examined as a literary genre and as a means of expanding communicative skills in a foreign language; divided into three parts: *Celebrating Poetry, Understanding Poetry, Creating Poetry;* actual, unrehearsed classes in French, Spanish, German, Italian, Russian, and English as a Second Language presented; shot on location at Harvard University with appearances by Harvard professors Wilga Rivers and Marlies Mueller, as well as Prof. Claire Kramsch of the University of California at Berkeley.

Il postino (The Postman)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1995 Academy Award-winning ("Best Dramatic Score") romantic comedy starring Philippe Noiret and Massimo Troisi, with Maria Grazia Cucinotta; when the famous Chilean poet Pablo Neruda is exiled to a small Italian island for political reasons, a local fisherman (Mario) is hired as a postman to deliver Neruda's mail to him; Mario befriends Neruda, who helps the shy, awkward postman win over the village inn's waitress (Beatrice) by showing him the power of poetry.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 48 minutes

Rigoletto

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1983 film of Verdi's opera starring Luciano Pavarotti as the Duke of Mantua, Edita Gruberova as Gilda, Ferruccio Furlanetto as Sparafucile, and Ingvar Wixell as Rigoletto; Jean-Pierre Ponnelle, director; Riccardo Chailly, conductor of the Wiener Philharmoniker; synopsis available.

In Italian with English subtitles
1 hour 56 minutes

Romance Languages and Literatures Teaching Fellow Workshop (March 23, 1990)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Approximately 15–20 minute presentations by members of the Boston College Department of Romance Languages and Literatures on topics related to teaching techniques suggested for use in the foreign language classroom.

Approx. 75 minutes

Topics:

In English

Adapting Oral Proficiency Interviews for Classroom Use Music in the Classroom Effective Interaction Using Groups and Teams Writing Pitfalls and How to Avoid Them

Romance Languages and Literatures Teaching Fellow Workshop (February 28, 1992)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Approximately 15-minute presentations by Teaching Fellow members of the Boston College Department of Romance Languages and Literatures on topics related to teaching techniques suggested for use in the foreign language classroom. In English

Approx. 75 minutes

Topics:

Fill'er Up: Quick and Easy Space Fillers (activities to focus students' attention)

Snap to It (Rassias drilling method)

Action, Camera ... and Cut (student-produced videos)

Playing It Safe (games)

Instructor Exit Stage Left (student-centered activities for conversation initiation)

Romance Languages and Literatures Teaching Fellow Workshop (February 23, 1996)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Approximately 10–15-minute presentations by Teaching Fellow members of the Boston College Department of Romance Languages and Literatures on topics related to teaching techniques suggested for use in the foreign language classroom. In English

Approx. 75 minutes

Topics:

A Bag of Magic Tricks
Listen Up!
Everyone's a comic
Wanted: Dead or Alive!

Inspired Writing: Getting the Best from Students

Please Pass the Pumpkin!

Romance Languages and Literatures Teaching Fellow Workshop (February 14, 1997)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Approximately 10–15-minute presentations by Teaching Fellow members of the Boston College Department of Romance Languages and Literatures on topics related to teaching techniques suggested for use in the foreign language classroom. In English

Approx. 75 minutes

Topics:

Hey! What happened? (part I: Intermediate Spanish; part II: Elementary Spanish)

It's in the bag! (Elementary French)

Classroom Classics (Intermediate French)

It's transparent! (Spanish CCR)

E Dio creò la Nutella (Italian CCR)

Salvatore Giuliano

1/2" VHS (PAL) black & white videocassette

1961 Francesco Rosi film featuring Salvo Randone and Frank Wolff; story of Sicily's most famous gangster and supporter of the Separatist cause at the end of World War II; in Italian, no subtitles

2 hours

Il sentiero della pace

1/2" VHS color videocassette presentation by the *Comunità Montana della Valcuvia* as directed by Fabio Corradi and Rodolfo Ossuzio; this 2001 documentary focuses on "1916–1917 La Linea Cadorna" and is dedicated to the memory of those who worked during WWI to construct this defensive line.

In Italian, no subtitles

35 minutes

Speak Easy

1/2" VHS color videocassette

14 short mime sketches in which two characters interact in real-life situations; sketches move from service-related interactions between strangers, to encounters between strangers, to more personal situations involving close friends or members of family; for all levels of language student; a Teacher's Manual is available.

Each sketch runs 3-5 minutes

Total time: 60 minutes

Titles:

Greetings Flat Tire

New Shoes Library

Cab Ride Wallflowers

Influenza Moving In

Truck Stop Phone Call

Chez Vincent Argument

Airport The Lesson

Storia di una capinera

1/2" VHS (PAL) color videocassette

1993 Franco Zeffirelli film based on a short story by Giovanni Verga; stars Angela Bellis, Jonathan Schaech, Sinead Cusack, John Castle.

Dubbed in Italian (no subtitles)

1 hour 40 minutes

Il teatro di Pirandello

5 1/2" VHS (PAL) color videocassettes Luigi Pirandello's plays televised by RAI between 1970 and 1986 In Italian, no subtitles

Total time: 10 hours 47 minutes

Titles:

Il beretto a sonagli Enrico IV Sei personaggi in cerca d'autore Così è, se vi pare Il gioco delle parti

Technology: Tool or Method?

1/2" VHS color videocassette recording of a "Baker's Dozen Roundtable" discussion broadcast on April 12, 2001 via satellite from Duke University and sponsored by the Charles E. Culpeper Foundation and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund in collaboration with Washington and Lee University and Duke University; 13 experts in applied linguistics, pedagogy and technology discuss (1) theory and practice in technology, (2) expected and assured outcomes with technology use, (3) changes in knowledge acquisition as it pertains to the technological interface, (4) technology as a transparent tool and/or method; discussion participants: Ms. Pegge Abrams (Duke), Dr. Bryan Alexander (Centenary College of Louisiana), Dr. Robert Blake (UC, Davis),

Prof. Miriam Carlisle (Washington and Lee), Dr. Lise Desmarais (Canadian Foreign Service Institute), Dr. Robert Fischer (CALICO), Dr. Nina Garrett (Yale), Dr. P. Richard (Dick) Kuettner (Coordinator and Host, Washington and Lee), Dr. Jerry Larson (Brigham Young University), Dr. Jimmie Purser (Millsaps College), Dr. Clare Tufts (Duke), Prof. Ken'ichi Ujie (Washington and Lee), Dr. Clara Yu (Middlebury) 60 minutes

Tintoretto

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Volume 10 in the *Portrait of an Artist* series produced in 1984 by RM Arts in conjunction with Antenne 2; exploration of the works of Tintoretto (1518–1594) via observations made by Jean Paul Sartre about the painter's approach to scale and color, his rebellion against 16th-century conventions; magnificent views of the city of Venice and of Tintoretto's large-scale decorative panels and frescoes. In English

65 minutes

Touring Italy

1/2" VHS color videocassette

A 1992 travelogue-type presentation of Italy and its cultural and historical contributions; features beautiful photography and tours of Naples, the ruins of Pompeii, Venice, Milan, Florence, Bologna, Verona, the Italian Riviera, Pisa, Rome. In English

60 minutes

La Traviata

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1976 Wolf Trap production of Verdi's opera starring Beverly Sills as Violetta, Henry Price as Alfredo.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 20 minutes

La Traviata

1/2" VHS color videocassette; 1982 Franco Zeffirelli film of Verdi's opera starring Teresa Stratas as Violetta and Plácido Domingo as Alfredo In Italian with English subtitles
1 hour 45 minutes

Il Trovatore

1/2" VHS black & white videocassette

1957 film of Verdi's opera starring Mario del Monaco as Manrico, Leila Gencer as Leonora, Ettore Bastianini as Di Luna, Fedora Barbieri as Azucena; Fernando Previtali, conductor.

In Italian, no subtitles

2 hours 5 minutes

Il Trovatore

1/2" VHS color videocassette; 1985 Arena di Verona production of Verdi's opera starring Fiorenza Cossotto, Rosalind Plowright, Franco Bonisolli, Giorgio Zancanaro; conducted by Reynald Giovaninetti.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 30 minutes

Turandot

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1988 Metropolitan Opera production of Puccini's opera starring Plácido Domingo as Calaf, Eva Marton as the Princess Turandot, and Leona Mitchell as Liù; James Levine, conductor; Franco Zeffirelli, stage director.

In Italian with English subtitles

2 hours 14 minutes

Tutte le strade portano a Roma

1/2" VHS (PAL) color videocassette

Anna, a young tourist, discovers the secrets of Rome in seven days: the Collosseum, Vatican City and a Papal blessing, the Rome of today with information on shopping, food, transportation, Cinecittà (Italy's Hollywood), Tivoli and its fountains, wine tasting in Frascati, Trevi fountain.

In Italian, no subtitles

Approx. 50 minutes

L'ultimo bacio

1/2" VHS (PAL) videocassette

Gabriele Muccino (2001)

Donatello Award-winning film; eight principal characters wrestle with the fear of growing up, responsibility, and the fear of growing older in this "story of all love stories" that focusses on Carlo (Stefano Accorsi) and Giulia (Giovanna Mezzogiorno), two middle-class thirtysomethings, who are about to get married and have a child. In Italian, no subtitles

1 hour 55 minutes

La vita è bella (Life Is Beautiful)

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1998 Academy Award-winning ("Best Foreign Language Film") film starring "Best Actor" Roberto Benigni; Benigni plays an imaginative, funny waiter named Guido who falls in love and marries a schoolteacher named Dora (Nicoletta Braschi); during the last months of World War II, Guido, an Italian Jew, Dora, and their son Giosué are taken to a Nazi concentration camp where Guido uses his ingenuity and inner strength to continue to communicate with his wife (in another camp) and to protect his son from the horrors of his surroundings by turning the situation into a game.

In Italian with English subtitles

1 hour 56 minutes

The World Says Welcome

1/2" VHS color videocassette

Monterey Institute of International Studies © 1987

A fast-paced, informative video program using real-life interviews with young Americans living and working throughout the world; designed to stimulate interest in foreign language and to provide expert advice on how to prepare for an international career; accompanying materials include: teacher's guide, counselor's guide, suggestions for use in classroom and an international careers bibliography. Approx. 27 minutes

The Worlds of Umberto Eco

1/2" VHS color videocassette

1995 film shot on location in Italy and France by Gero von Boehm and Ricardo de Sanctis; interview with Eco the novelist, journalist and professor in which he expresses his thoughts on medieval aesthetics, semiotics and his own fiction, among other topics; includes a dramatization of a passage from his book *The Island of the Day Before*.

In English 43 minutes

Web Links

BBC Languages

Language-learning resource from the British Broadcasting Company with lessons, videos, and media links in various languages. Good for beginners.

CELI

The *Certificato di Conoscenza della Lingua Italiana* (Certificate of Knowledge of the Italian Language) is an official language qualification exam offered by the Università per Stranieri di Perugia. This website has practice tests to gauge your relative level of Italian fluency.

Duolingo

"Learn a language for free. Forever."

This amazingly user-friendly, ever-growing site gives lessons and then quizzes you on the topic, tracking your progress, awarding you along the way, and offering a daily practice reminder. Includes Italian-learning programs for speakers of English and Spanish. Corresponding app available at the Apple iTunes App Store.

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