

This is a learner diary that I would like you to use during this course. It has two main purposes:

1. to record what you think you learn during class, for example new vocabulary, a new expression, correct pronunciation, something new about verb forms, etc.
2. to record what you do in your free time to expose yourself to English, for example watch a movie in English, listen to the radio in English, write an email in English, etc.

Please try to add some information every day or every other day.

We will also sometimes use this diary for writing activities that I can then correct.

My name is Sara and I work as an administrative assistant at Padova University.

I was born in Cittadella, a small walled town not far from Padova where I live.

I like reading, playing music and cooking.

I don't like writing because I don't have a lot of things to say.

From "Santo " to "Duomo"

You must have the church on your left.

Go straight ahead on via Luca Belludi until you reach "prato della valle" place.

You have a drugstore on your right.

Turn right and go straight until you cross "corso Re Umberto". Turn right and go straight on until you cross a bridge (ponte delle Torricelle). Turn left and go straight on until you cross a street named via Gregorio Barbarigo. Turn right (you have a bridge behind you) and go straight on until the end of the street. There will be a music shop on your left called 23.

Cross the street (now you are in via Vandelli) go past a bookstore, go past the "al Duomo " pastry shop and the Duomo is on your left.

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'What are your plans for Easter?'

Ale: I'm cooking for my family.

What do you cook for Easter lunch?

Ale: I have not decided yet, but I'll probably cook pea risotto (risi e bisi). I'll cook the rice with a soup made with the pea pods.

Sara: I have no plans for Easter because my mother isn't well and she has to go to

Hospital .

I suppose we will stay home or at the Hospital.

Anyway I don't think we'll go around visiting friends and family, but if my mother stays in Hospital I'll go to Alessandro's house to have his "risi e bisi".

Then I'll go to Anna Maria 's house to eat her sweets: panzerotti and cannoli.

Panzerotti are a typical southern Italian cake made of puff pastry filled with ricotta cheese and fried in hot oil.

Cannoli are filled with a cream of ricotta cheese, candied pumpkin, cinnamon and powdered sugar.

When I was eighteen, I decorated a Xmas tree for Xmas but I didn't take it down. A few days before Easter, a French friend of my parents' called and said that he would be at our house in a few minutes. When he saw the Xmas tree, we told him that it wasn't a Xmas tree but an Easter tree because in the Venetian Republic there was the tradition to make Easter trees. He believed me and he called his relatives that we decorated trees for Easter. Unfortunately, he came in my bedroom and he will understood there weren't Easter trees in Venetian Republic tradition.

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