

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Title	Italian Language for Beginners					
Course Description	This course is intended for absolute beginners and those with very basic Italian. The emphasis will be on the communication skills of listening and speaking but reading and writing, plus underlying grammar, will also be included. The precise course content will be determined once the tutor has met with the students and ascertained their individual strengths and needs. It is anticipated that most students will attend the course to make their visits to Italy more enjoyable; the evening will be relaxed and supportive, but at the same time purposeful and rewarding. The motto is "learning while having fun".					
Start Date	24 th Sep 2025 14 th Jan 2026 22 nd Apr 2026	Day & Time	Wednesday 19.00 – 21.00	Venue	Comberton Village College	
Tutor Details	Ennio Agabiti is a native Italian who has lived in this country for many years. He has been running very successful Italian courses for several years now, both for our colleges and other adult education providers in the area.					
No. of wks	10	Terms		3		
Fee	£141	Concessionary Fee		£106		
Course Level:	Mixed ability			Х		
	Level 1, Level 2 (equiv. to GCSE / NVQ2)					
	Level 3 Equivalent GCE A Level					
Skills or qualifications needed for entry into the class					welcome.	
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The objective of the course is to allow the students to be able to understand, read and speak simple Italian. At the end of the course learners should be able to write simple letters or emails in Italian and communicate in various situations such as travelling and shopping in Italy.

Also, a better understanding of Italian culture will be included in the course.

Progression – after this course what might you do next?

Learners might want to improve their knowledge of the Italian language by attending similar beginners/intermediate courses, repeating the lessons of the first course to consolidate their command of basic Italian.

How progress & success will be recorded

Progress will be regularly recorded and measured by simple tests in the classroom and occasional homework. Learners will be encouraged to share their thoughts and correct their common mistakes in the classroom.

Additional course costs (e.g. visits, materials, books, equipment)

Learners will be encouraged to buy the book Nuovo Espresso no.1 by Luciana Ziglio and Giovanna Rizzo, ALMA Edizioni (approximately £20 new).

Learners will not need to buy the associated CDrom - unless they wish to have it.

Materials/equipment required for first class	A pen and a notepad.			
Contact for further information	Adult Education: 01223 264721 commed@combertonvc.org			

Enrolment and payment

Enrolments in person, for all our courses, can take place from our office based at Comberton Village College. Please note, the quickest way to enrol onto a class will be to visit our website and follow the online booking links from there. Enquiries can also be made by emailing commed@combertonvc.org or calling our office on 01223 264721.

We are a cashless school. We accept card and cheque payments (made payable to The Cam Academy Trust), from our office based in Comberton Village College. Online enrolments can be paid directly in GBP (Sterling) via a secure server over the internet by debit or credit card. Online enrolment will ask for additional information that will enable us to register you, on your chosen course and allocate your payment accordingly.

Your debit/card details will be encrypted via a payment processing company Stripe, payment information is not held on college servers. If you are paying online for a course, you will also be asked for contact information to be provided. This information will be held by the college, so we are able to contact you if required.

For further information on Stripe and its privacy policy

https://stripe.com/gb/privacy

For further information on how we use your data

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/privacy-information-key-stage-4-and-5-and-adult-education

Secure payment links for courses, can also be sent out via emails or text messages. This process would involve you being notified in advance, of a secure link due to be sent shortly afterwards. If required

card payments, in person, can also be taken at the beginning of each term, via a portable payment system.

Refunds

If you choose to withdraw your booking, at least 2 weeks before the start date of a course, a refund will be given, minus a £5 administrative charge. Refunds are only available in the event of course cancellation or early closure from the college.

Classes cancelled by the college due to unforeseen circumstances, will be replaced with an extra class at the end of the course, whenever possible. For comprehensive details, please refer to our fees and refund policy which can be found on our website.

Concessionary Fees

A 25% discount is available for those in receipt of JSA/ESA, Universal Credit, Carers Allowance or a social care assessment (EHCP/PIP), evidence must be provided on enrolment. Most of our courses display two fees, the concessionary fee is the lower amount advertised. It is also possible to pay the fees for a course by instalments, please contact us directly for details.

Equalities statement

We are fully committed to equality of opportunity and welcome enrolments from all adults aged 19+ (on 31 August 2025). We positively encourage all learners with any concerns about specific needs which might affect their learning to discuss their requirements with us in confidence. We believe that everyone is entitled to learn in an environment that is free from discriminatory behaviour so that we build a community based on mutual trust and respect. We will do our best to ensure that resources and equipment are accessible to all and make reasonable adjustments to ensure that all learners can access activities.

Cambridgeshire County Council, Adult Learning and Skills service supports a wide range of other adult learning opportunities across Cambridgeshire to support adults with the lowest level of qualifications or no qualification at all, and so typically find themselves in lower paid, less secure jobs or unemployed. Search their website **www.cambsals.co.uk** for details of all their funded courses.

Safeguarding Statement

Arrangements have been made to make sure that you are safe at our Centres. If you feel you are not safe for any reason, for example through verbal or physical abuse or you have been discriminated against, please tell your tutor or the Centre Manager, who will investigate to ensure your safety.

Calendar (Please check start date of specific courses)

Autumn Term Half term 27th Oct – 31st Oct 2025 Spring Term Half term 16th Feb – 20th Feb 2026 Summer Term Half term 25th May – 29th May 2026