

# Subject Information Year 10 – Languages

## 10 ITALIAN

(CODE 10ITA)

Year 10	Possible Senior School Pathway
Italian	Certificate II and III Applied Language (Italian)

**PREREQUISITE:** Year 7, 8 and 9 Italian – new enrolments considered

In Year 10, students will be engaged in many authentic experiences during their studies. Students share in experiences related to a wonderful culture and learn to communicate in another language other than English. They will be given the opportunity to use their linguistic, creative and ICT skills and abilities through various teaching and learning activities and assessment tasks. In Year 10, students participate in a journey into another culture, continuing to develop and enrich their understanding of the world around them and further develop their language skills in Italian.

The curriculum is delivered through contemporary teaching and relevant stimulus material designed to engage teenage learners. Students are immersed in the Italian language. The curriculum is delivered by implementing a variety of teaching and learning strategies, instructional strategies and language and communication strategies in order to scaffold tasks and support student acquisition of the Italian language in preparation for future learning. This subject provides an innovative, contemporary, challenging, and holistic learning experience for all students, as a result instils an appreciation of learning another language, passion to continue to learn about the language and culture and gain an awareness of intercultural understandings.

Students will be motivated by the variety of topics they will explore in the Year 10 Italian subject, that focus on the individual and their past, present, and future worlds. Topics studied include Australian and Italian teenagers' trends, passions and pastimes, exchange student experiences, Italian and international music, and film. Here, students are invited to provide their personal viewpoints on these topics. Throughout all of the topics, students are exposed to authentic and contemporary stimulus texts in the form of print, audio and audio-visual text types. Students will learn to understand why learning a second language is important and especially why Italian is important to learn in the Western Australian and national contexts.

Students participate in incursions and excursions with other senior school students studying Italian, providing authentic cultural and language experiences. The subject offers many opportunities to use this language in Australia and in Italy! At Lesmurdie there are two in country programs on offer. Students are invited to participate in a bi-annual 16-day trip to Italy, engaging in the culture and language of the target country. Secondly, students may opt for more of an intensive cultural and language experience, the WAATI/Intercultura Exchange Program, a longstanding and successful international excursion opportunity. There are two stages:

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Stage 1 - Hosting Program (Lesmurdie families hosting an Italian student for 8-weeks)

Stage 2 - Sending Program – (Lesmurdie students hosted by families in Italy 8-weeks).

Italian is an outcomes-based quality teaching and learning program. Therefore, the Languages learning outcomes are embedded in the subject in order to monitor and develop the skills and knowledge necessary to show coverage of the essential contexts and content of this subject. This teaching and learning program is also designed to reflect the three nationally required themes of the individual, the Italian-speaking communities and the changing world. The Australian Curriculum for Languages is not yet ready for implementation in Australian schools.

The monitored Languages learning outcomes are:

Outcome 1: Listening, responding and speaking

Outcome 2: Viewing, reading and responding

Outcome 3: Writing.