



Italy

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CAPITAL CITY	Rome
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LANGUAGE	Italian, although French and German are spoken in the far north
CURRENCY	Euro (previously Italian Lira)
GOVERNMENT	Democratic Republic
RELIGION	Mainly Christian
BORDERS WITH	France, Switzerland, Austria and Slovenia
NATIONAL DAY	June 2 (Festa della Repubblica)
FAMOUS ITALIANS	Julius Caesar <i>Politician</i> , Marco Polo <i>Explorer</i> , Christopher Columbus <i>Explorer</i> , Galileo <i>Astronomer</i> , Michelangelo <i>Painter</i> , Leonardo da Vinci <i>Painter</i> , Antonio Vivaldi <i>Composer</i> , Luciano Pavarotti <i>Opera singer</i> , Giorgio Armani <i>Stylist</i>
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FLAG	Three colors representing three virtues: Hope (green), Faith (white), and Charity (red).



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1 uno, 2 due, 3 tre, 4 quattro,
5 cinque, 6 sei, 7 sette, 8 otto,
9 nove, 10 dieci

Sì Yes
No No

Per favour Please
Come sta? How are you?

Grazie Thank you
You're welcome

Mi scusi Excuse me

Buongiorno Good morning
Buona sera Good evening
Buona notte Good night

Ciao Hello, Bye,
So long

LO: To distinguish between fact and opinion.

Facts:

- Facts are definitely true.
- They can be backed up with evidence.
- For example, 'the Prime Minister is giving a speech.'

Opinions:

- Your opinion is how you feel.
- Other people might think differently, they have a different opinion.
- For example, 'having a teenager as Prime Minister is a terrible idea.'

- This link explains **facts** and **opinions**.

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zs44jxs/articles/z3wgqhv>

Activity 1

Yesterday we read about Italy. Here is a fact file about Italy. Write 5 facts about Italy using these facts. For instance; The capital city of Italy is Rome.

This is fact because it is definitely true.



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Activity 2

Using your knowledge of the difference between fact and opinion, **write 5 opinions about Italy.**

For instance:

Use the fact file again to write 5 opinions about Italy. For instance: I **think** Julius Casear is the most famous Italian because he was in charge of the Roman Empire.

This is opinion because it is what somebody **thinks**.

Remember to make your opinions convincing; you have to **explain** why you think this. You can use the facts from the factfile, the facts from Lesson 1 or research your own facts about Italy.

Make sure your sentences are correctly punctuated and include an explanation of your opinion (because).