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Masterclass Italian (Learn Italian With The Michel Thomas Method)





Synopsis

The Method: No books. No writing. No memorizing.- Guaranteed success. Speak and understand perfectly- Incredible progress. Get what you want, fast- Absolute confidence. Unleash your natural learning style without tryingStress-free audio learningMichel Thomas teaches you through your own language, so there's no stress, and no anxiety. He builds it up, step by step, and you don't move on until you've absorbed and understood the previous point. And, as Michel Thomas said, 'What you understand, you know; and what you know, you don't forget.' With parallels to the way you learned your own language, each language is learned in 'real-time' conditions. There is no need to stop for homework, additional exercises or vocabulary memorization. How it works:- Listen: collect words effortlessly by listening- Connect: create your own mental tool kit by understanding how words fit together- Speak: put the words back together to build sentences, naturallyLearn another language the way you learned your ownYou learned your own language naturally and enjoyably: now you can learn Italian in the same way. You'll stick with it because you'll love it. Use the unique method perfected over fifty years by the celebrated psychologist and linguist Michel Thomas. This method works with your brain, helping you to build up your Italian in manageable, enjoyable steps by thinking out the answers for yourself. You learn through listening and speaking without the pressure of writing or memorizing. You pick up the language naturally and unforgettably. Join the millions of people worldwide who have learned a new language with the Michel Thomas Method Learn AnywhereDon't be tied to chunky books or your computer, Michel Thomas Method audio courses let you learn whenever you want: at home, in your car, or on the move with your MP3 player. What's in the Course?Masterclass Italian with the Michel Thomas Method provides two hours of teaching over two CDs. Learn new vocabulary, phrases, and expressionsIn Masterclass Italian, Michel widens your vocabulary and teaches authentic phrases and expressions in a one-to-one seminar. The two-hour Masterclass enables you to express yourself more fully by teaching idiomatic phrases and language that will give you the edge when it comes to communicating. Consolidate what you know and pick up new language-learning skillsMasterclass Italian consolidates everything you've learned in the Total and Perfect courses. Or if you're new to Michel Thomas, this course is ideal for brushing up your language skills. In only a matter of hours, he gives you a comprehensive grasp of the structure of the language, enabling you to communicate with confidence. The present, future, conditional and past tenses are covered, and you are taught to think about the ideas that you are trying to communicate, rather than to translate words slavishly. He points out the similarities of the vocabulary in English and Italian and gives you the tools to guess the words you do not know, or think you do not know.

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Ok, I have reviewed Total German and Perfect German, now comes Masterclass! I own all three courses and have completed all three. This has been a prime experience in learning for me. It's almost as though I have lived with a German speaking family for 6 months. I feel like I have gained that much knowledge of German. Masterclass comes on 2 CDs, and this time there are no students, just Michel himself. He asks in the beginning that you use the pause button on your device when he says a sentence in English, so you can take time to formulate the German translation in your head before you speak. You'll have to hit that pause button frequently and quickly, because he pretty much goes nonstop throughout. You can also just listen if you like and then review. Using that pause button is most helpful though, because that will force you to think and speak on your own. Don't worry if you make a mistake, that's how you learn!These 2 CDs consist of Michel going from one phrase and sentence to the next, first in English, then translated into German. He does offer some explanations and asides along the way, but not as many as in the previous courses, because by now you shouldn't need them. New words and everyday phrases are introduced constantly, so this is not a just a repetition of the previous material. There is certainly some of the previous material presented here, but the majority of it is new. I only wish there were more! After having completed all 3 courses of Michel Thomas German, I can truthfully say that it was worth what I paid for it, and it was much less expensive than Rosetta Stone. I learned a lot from RS before I started Michel Thomas, but had I bought Michel Thomas German first, I seriously doubt I would have bought RS. Speaking from my own experience, the Michel Thomas method is just ideal for beginners, and will get you speaking in no time. I feel comfortable with verb conjugations and sentence structure, and I am now in the process of increasing my vocabulary along with listening to native German speakers on YouTube and interacting with my German friends. I am trying to immerse myself in German as often as I can without actually going to Germany! I plan to do that, too.All in all, this was money well spent, and I highly recommend it as a way to get started and to

establish a good, solid foundation in the language that you can quickly build upon.

Michel Thomas is awesome and I listen and re-listen to these recordings whenever I need a refresher on my Italian grammar.

This is good if you want to speak Italian with a Polish accent. I bought the Michel Thomas German Masterclass, which is good and his pronounciation is excellent, but I thought he would use a native speaker, since Italian is just too much of a stretch for him with his accent. Much to my dismay he did not, which is too bad since his method is excellent. His pronounciation is so bad that it's hard to understand his endings and he just flat out pronounces words wrong. Also his constructions are often stilted, and while not archane, are not typical for today's spoken Italian.

the recording quality is very poor. Especially between the Students. Michel Thomas is very clear. But the students all sound like mickey mouse.

I've recently completed the ENTIRE German course by Michel Thomas. The results are nothing short of incredible!(By the entire course I refer to all 'sub-courses': Start, Total, Perfect, Masterclass). At many points along the way there's a substantial sense of accomplishment. First, when finishing the first 2 hours of the course, you are already familiar with several sentence structures. By the end of the Total course, You reach a point where you have a solid grasp of basic to intermediate sentence structures, and by the end of the Perfect course you get a very firm grasp of all sentence structures in use, being able to both understand sentences in German, and construct your own, no matter how complex they may be. It took me around 70 hours of listening, spread over 3.5 months to finish the courses, mostly listening to the recordings while driving! By 70 hours I refer to the time I spent on the courses, which includes pausing the recordings, rewinding, etc. No homework was required, no extra work of any kind.Note, as you'll often read in reviews of the method, Michel's accent in the 4 languages he taught was far from native-like. However, this poses little to no problem. This is because he does put an emphasis on pronunciation key points, which, if mastered, allow you to be perfectly understood. To further help with pronunciation, on the segments that focus on vocabulary, you have native German speakers, who read in German the sentences you are asked to translate from English.So, in conclusion, I highly recommend courses by Michel Thomas!

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