Oggi in Italia
A First Course in Italian

Instructor’s Resource Manual

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Audioscript

The Audioscript is a written transcript of the recorded program that accompanies *Oggi in Italia, Seventh Edition*. Approximate durations are supplied for each recorded lesson so that instructors can adapt the audio material to their needs.

The recorded program provides approximately ten hours of material and is available upon adoption of the text. It is also available for student purchase.

Each recorded lesson contains the following elements:

1. **Core material** from the text lesson, recorded without pauses, plus a brief comprehension check on the core material.
2. **Pronuncia**: pronunciation drills, through *Lezione 12*, recorded with pauses for student repetition, plus brief dialogues that use the featured sounds in context.
3. **Comprensione**: varied listening-comprehension activities that integrate lesson structures and vocabulary in the form of advertisements, public announcements, formal and informal exchanges, telephone conversations, situational vignettes, TV news broadcasts, interviews, and so on.

Note: Throughout, the (#) symbol indicates a pause in the recording for student oral repetition or for a written response.

The recordings of conversations, ads, interviews, and other material designed for the listening-comprehension activities are likely to challenge students, especially at the beginning of the course. Encourage students to listen more than once to an exercise and to read the questions or items pertaining to a passage before listening so that they’ll know what to listen for. Explain that they don’t need to understand every word of a conversation, ad, or description to get the gist. With practice, students will find that they understand more and more.

Videoscript

The Videoscript is a written transcript of the *Parliamo italiano!* video program that accompanies *Oggi in Italia, Seventh Edition*.

The video program provides sixty minutes of material and is available upon adoption of the text. It is also available for student purchase.

Answer Keys to Workbook, Lab Manual, and Video Manual

The Answer Keys, located at the end of the Videoscript, contain answers to exercises in the Workbook, the Lab Manual, and the Video Manual. For open-ended, directed activities, sample answers are provided. For exercises that invite personal responses or creative composition, “Answers will vary” is indicated. Instructors who wish to may duplicate the answer keys and distribute them to students for self-correction.
Test Bank

The Oggi in Italia Test Bank provides two ready-to-copy tests (Esame A and Esame B) for each lesson. The two tests represent different levels of difficulty, Esame B being the more challenging. The tests cover listening, vocabulary, reading, grammar, writing, and culture. Vocabulary, grammar, and reading comprehension are tested through a variety of activities that include fill-ins, multiple choice, sequencing, matching, true/false, cloze paragraphs, and question-answer items. Some activities combine more than one topic from a chapter. The Cultura (Opzionale) sections draw on cultural and factual information contained in the text lessons. Tests may be used as exams or as reinforcement aids; tests are estimated to take an entire class period. Individual portions can be used as quizzes. The total point value for each test, excluding the Cultura sections, is one hundred points. Points earned on the Cultura sections may be added to the total test score. Suggested point values are given for each section to aid instructors in correction.

Instructors are directed to have students listen to each Comprensione activity from the Instructor's Test Cassette twice, but some instructors may feel that once is sufficient. The emphasis placed upon listening skills throughout the semester, as well as the level and ability of the students, will determine which procedure is appropriate for each group of students. In some instances, students are asked to skim written information before listening to the recorded material. Instructors may stop the recording at any point if they feel students need more time.

The Scrittura sections offer brief composition topics pertinent to the lessons. When possible, topics elicit use of grammatical points covered in the text lessons.

Test Bank Scripts

Listening Skills and Writing: Each test begins with a listening-comprehension activity that checks the student's comprehension of a dialogue, monologue, news broadcast, advertisement, or similar dramatization. Scripts for the listening portions of the tests are provided following the Lezione 18 tests. The recorded scripts are on the Instructor's Testing Cassettes, which accompany the Oggi in Italia Test Bank and are available upon adoption of the program.

Test Bank Answer Key

The answer key provides exact answers to most exercises in the tests. Where variation or alternate answers are possible, suggested answers are given. For exercises that invite personal responses or creative composition, “Answers will vary” is indicated.

ANCILLARY COMPONENTS

- Instructor's Annotated Edition
- Instructor's Resource Manual
- Instructor's Test Cassettes
- Workbook/Lab Manual/Video Manual
- Audio Program (cassettes and CDs)
- Parliamo italiano! Video
- Oggi in Italia Multimedia CD-ROM 3.0
- Overhead Transparencies
- Situation Cards Kit
- Computerized Test Bank
- Web site