



## Investigazione: Italia

Go to [www.euroclub-schools.org](http://www.euroclub-schools.org). Enter the Italian Zone. Click on Facts About Italy (part 1).  
By reading the information on the web page, can you answer the following questions?

1. Italy is divided into how many regions?  
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2. Rome belongs to which region?  
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3. The regions of Italy are divided into smaller areas called *province*. Write each *provincia* according to the following abbreviations: PI \_\_\_\_\_ BO \_\_\_\_\_ NA \_\_\_\_\_ VE \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. What is *un onomastico*?  
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5. Italy is known as *il Bel Paese*. What does this mean in English?  
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6. Who is the patron saint of Italy?  
This saint is also the patron saint of.....  
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7. Write the various names of the national anthem of Italy.  
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8. What is the nickname of Rome? Write it in both English and Italian.  
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9. How do you wish someone 'good luck' in Italian?  
What is the usual way to reply?  
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10. Write a well-known saying about Rome. Write it in both English and Italian.  
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11. According to legend, who founded Rome?  
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12. Describe the statue called *la Lupa Capitolina*.  
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13. Write the name of the River Tiber in Italian.  
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14. Which celebration takes place on 15 August?  
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15. Name three Italian volcanoes.  
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16. Who is the patron saint of Rome?  
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17. What happens in Italy on 10 August?  
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18. Name three Italian newspapers.  
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19. What kind of performances take place at *il Teatro alla Scala*?  
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20. What is the name of the men who guard the Pope?  
In which city are they based?

21. Which towns were destroyed by the eruption of Vesuvius in 79 A.D.?
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22. Write an Italian name for the flag of Italy.
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23. Write the following place names in Italian: Rome - Milan -  
Genoa - Sicily - Sardinia -
- .....
24. Which object will you find at the church called *Santa Maria in Cosmedin*, in Rome?
- .....
25. What did *Pliny the Younger* write?
- .....
26. Who is the current pope? Write his name in both English and Italian.
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27. Where will you find *la Sciara del Fuoco* (*the Flow of Fire*)?
- .....
28. Who was the last king of Italy?
- .....
29. Which king unified Italy?
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30. Which date every year celebrates the anniversary of the unification of Italy?
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31. What is the Italian name for the period of Italy's unification?  
In which year was the unification of Italy complete?
- .....
32. Name two Italian composers of opera music.
- .....
33. Which city is nicknamed 'the Queen of the Adriatic'?
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34. Which volcano is the highest in Europe?
- .....
35. The volcano *Stromboli* belongs to which Italian islands?  
It belongs to which region?
- .....
36. Who is the ruler of the Vatican City?  
What is the Italian name for the Vatican City?
- .....
37. What is celebrated in Rome on 21 April each year?
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38. Rome was built on seven hills but on which one were the first foundations?
- .....
39. When answering an Italian phone call, which word is said first?
- .....
40. Where will you see the letters SPQR and what do they stand for?
- .....
41. Name a famous house that is situated in Verona.
- .....
42. Which football team has a zebra for a lucky mascot?  
Write the nickname of the national Italian football team.
- .....
43. What is RAI?
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