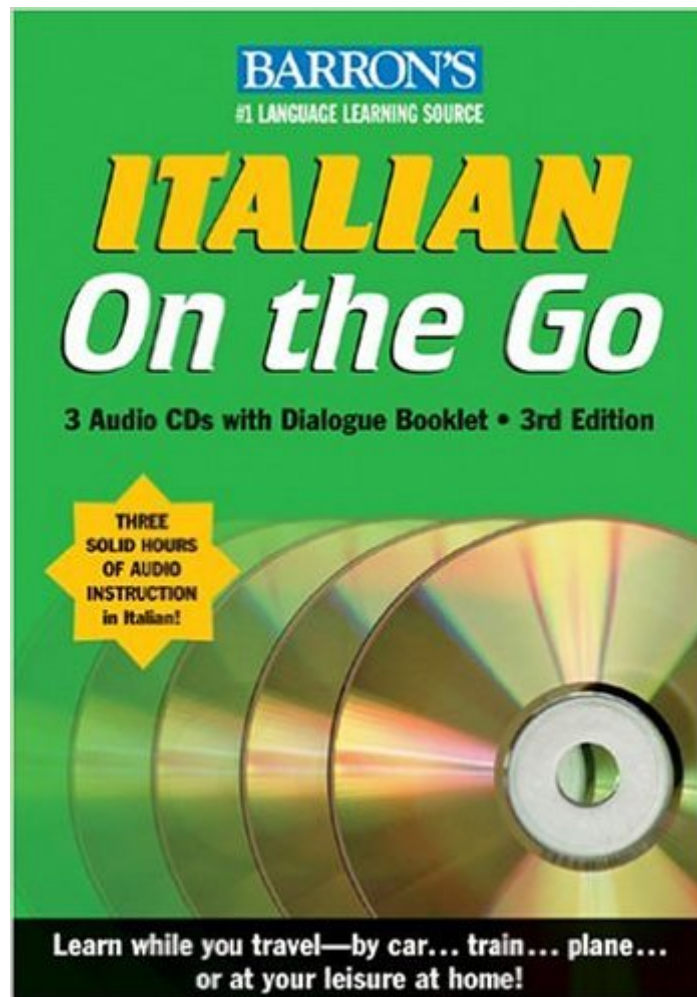


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Synopsis

On the Go language learning programs are now available in a choice of either cassette tapes or compact discs. This updated compact disc program emphasizes Italian speaking and listening comprehension on a fundamental level, which makes it an ideal self-teaching tool for learning in a car, international travelers, as well as good supplementary material in school language labs. On the Go programs, available in several languages, each offer approximately 180 minutes of audio instruction. They come with a script booklet. No textbook is needed for these informal and practical language learning programs.

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Customer Reviews

About a year ago, I had the honor of going to Italy with my high school band. I live in Minnesota, and it was to be my first experience in a country where English is the second language. So being the type of person I am with language (I could speak Spanish, English, German and Esperanto fluently already), I thought I should pick up a little Italian before I left. So I went to a local bookstore and was directed to the 'Italian on the Go' cassette set by the old woman behind the counter. The price was right, so I purchased it and popped it in on the car ride home. From the moment I heard the Italian banjo-thingy start to play and the authentic language pursue, I was hooked. The amount of vocabulary I retained from just a few listenings was incredible. Literally everything stuck! When I got to Italy, I was by far the best Italian speaker in our group. And I could speak what I knew confidently and without thinking! With the help of a basic phrase book and the cassettes, I could shop without

using any English. It was amazing. Since I came home, I have kept Italian close to me. It is my most proficient language next to English and a lot of it is because of 'Italian on the Go'. Though I've moved to much more advanced courses now, I still run through the 'IOTG' cassettes once a week to keep my pronunciation sharp. I just love the dialogues! Anyone who wants to start learning Italian should start here. It's prob'ly the most beautiful language in the world and now there's a NO EFFORT way to fluency.

Although there are some phrases about travel, hotels, and restaurants, much time is wasted on things that are not helpful to the beginner, and especially not to the tourist. Siblings arguing over borrowing money from their grandparents? People gossiping about their friends and describing their living room furniture? Whose idea was this? In any case, there is no systematic approach to the language, nor any serious attempt to help a beginning student learn the basics of vocabulary and sentence building. There are much better choices available, such as "Learn in Your Car Italian".

ability to interact w/voices on the DVD is extremely well paced and then the accompanying booklet allows the listener to check for any small portion that might not be understood

Comes with two cassette tapes, so the audio tracks are maximized. The book is only 10-12 pages long, so it's very much for basic phrases in everyday conversation (shopping, travel, restaurants, etc.)

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