

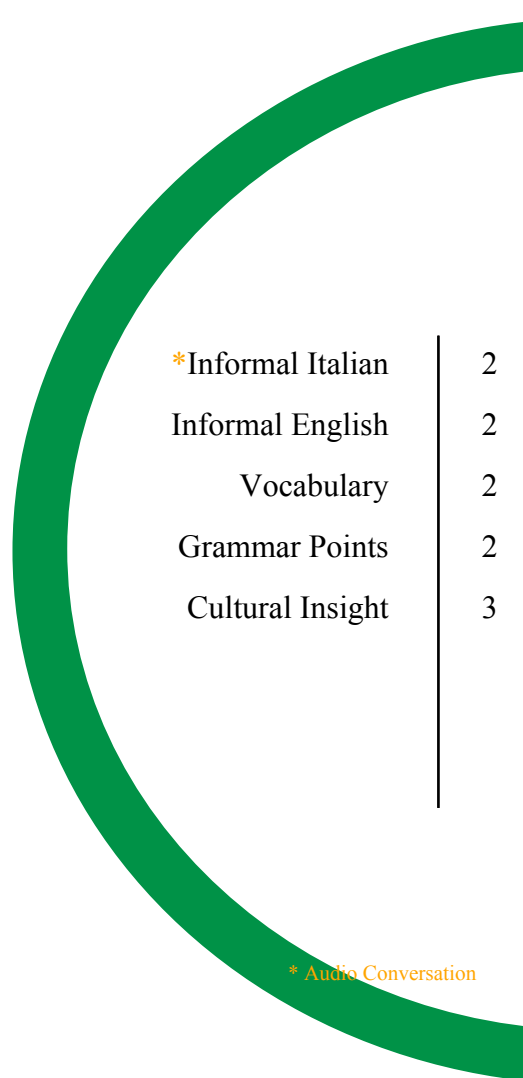


Introduction

Introduction part 3 - Good bye! See you soon!



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Informal Italian

Arrivederci! A presto.
Ciao! Buon viaggio!

Informal English

Good bye! See you soon!
Good bye! Have a nice trip!

Vocabulary

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Grammar Points

A parting expression that can be used for all occasions is *Arrivederci* which literally means "Goodbye". Let's break it down by syllable Ar-ri-ve-der-ci.

Let's take a look at another expression. The word *Ciao* as seen in the previous lesson, also means "Goodbye".

When parting or saying goodbye at night there is the greeting *Buona sera*. Let's break it down by syllable *Buo-na se-ra*. Let's take a look at the components. The first word *Buona* means "Good". This is followed by *sera*, which in Italian is "evening". *Buona sera*.

In Italian another way of saying "Goodbye" is *A presto*. Let's break it down by syllable *A pres-to*. This actually means "See you soon".

There are also several phrases for saying "See you later". A more casual way of saying "See you later" in Italian is *A dopo*. Let's break it down by syllable *A do-po*.

Then there's "See you a little bit later" which in Italian is *A più tardi*. Let's break it down by syllable *A pi-ù tar-di*.



Finally *A presto* means “See you soon” and is especially useful when bidding someone goodbye as you will not see that person for some time.

Cultural Insight

Italians, especially those living in small cities, are very habitual people. So don't be surprised if after just a few times of going to a restaurant or shop, waiters or shopkeepers use *A presto* instead of *Arrivederci*, for they are pretty sure you will be coming back. It is also very common to start hearing just a simple ciao after some months of shopping in a particular shop. Especially if in the mean time you and the shopkeeper or staff have become more acquainted. Italians really love to breakdown cultural social barriers and be friends with foreigners.