



# Pathway for Adult Classes Program and Guidelines for 'Prego' \*

\*To use these guidelines as a basis of self-evaluation for grammar competency simply note the components you have a sound knowledge of and refer to the class level for each section.

## Beginners Level

### Preliminary

- Greetings
- Expressions of politeness
- Alphabet & sounds
- Numbers 1 –100
- Calendar – months/ days/ year/ seasons

### Chapter 1

- Nouns – number & gender
- Indefinite articles ('a')& use of "buono" (good)
- Conjugation of verb "to have" - *avere* (present)
- Subject pronouns : *io, tu...* (I, you)
- Idiomatic expressions with *avere*, (to have)

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### Chapter 2

### Beginners 2

- Adjectives
- Conjugation of verb "to be" - *essere* (present)
- Definite articles *il, la..* (the) & use of *bello* (beautiful)
- Plurals

### Chapter 3

- Present conjugation of “-are” verbs
- Possessive adjectives: *mio* (my), *tuo*– (your), *suo* (his,her)
- Use of possessive adjectives with family members
- “*Questo*” & “*Quello*”, (this & that)
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### Chapter 4

- Present conjugation of “-ere”& “-ire” verbs
- Direct object pronouns: *mi, ti, lo, la, li, le...*(me, you, him. her, them)
- Time

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### Chapter 5

- Articulated prepositions: *dalla* (from the) , *nella* (in the), *agli* (to the), *sui* (on the)
- *Passato prossimo* with *avere* (to have) & *essere* (to be)
- Verbs – *conoscere* & *sapere* (to know)

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## Intermediate Level

### Chapter 6

- Indirect object pronouns: *mi, ti, Le, gli, le...*(to me, to you, to you, to him to her)
- Agreement of past participle in the *passato prossimo*
- Verb “*piacere*” (to like, to be pleasing to)
- Interrogatives ( what, what kind of , where, which, how many..)

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### Chapter 7

- Reflexive verbs ( to wash oneself)
- Reciprocal actions: *Vi conoscete bene?*  
( Do you know one another well? )

- Verb in the present tense + *da* + length of time, *Sara studia italiano da due anni* (Sara has been studying Italian for 2 years)
- Numbers above 100

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### **Chapter 8**

- Imperfect: *ballavo, mangiava* (I used to dance, to eat)
- Imperfect & passato prossimo
- Trapassato ( I had danced, eaten)
- Suffixes (adding *-ino, -etto, -uccio...*, at the end of adjectives to change shades of meaning)

**Class : Intermediate 3**

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### **Chapter 9**

- Disjunctive pronouns *me, te* (me, myself, you, yourself)
- Comparative & superlative forms (more... than, less...than & the least.. the most..)
- Irregular comparative and superlative forms

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### **Chapter 10**

- Future tense
- Special uses of the future
- *Si* impersonale : *A casa mia si mangia spesso la pasta.*
- Formation of feminine nouns

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### **Chapter 11**

- Use of *ci* & *ne*
- Double object pronouns: *glielo* (it to him), *te le, me lo...*
- Imperative , giving orders in the familiar form : *tu, noi, voi*

**Chapter 12**

- Indefinite adjectives: *ogni* (each), *alcuno*, (some) *qualche...* (some)
- Indefinite pronouns: *Alcune sono grandi.*
- Negatives: *non* (not), *niente* (nothing), *nulla...*
- Imperative, giving orders in the polite form: *Lei, Loro*

**Chapter 13**

- Present conditional (I would speak..)
- Past conditional (I would have spoken)
- Possessive pronouns: (mine, yours, his hers..)

**Chapter 14**

- Relative pronouns: *cui, quello che...*(which)
- *Chi* (who)
- The use of the infinitive
- Nouns & adjectives ending in “ -a ”

## Intermediate Level

**Chapter 15**

- Relative pronouns: *cui, quello che...*(who, whose, which, that)
- *Chi* (who)
- The use of the infinitive
- Nouns & adjectives ending in “ -a ”

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**Chapter 16**

- **Subjunctive**
- **Verbs & expressions that require the subjunctive**
- **Past subjunctive**
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**Chapter 17**

- **Conjunctions that require the subjunctive: *prima che* (before), *affinché* (until), *sebbene* (although)**
- **Other uses of the subjunctive**
- **Subjunctive or infinitive?**

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**Chapter 18**

- **Imperfect subjunctive**
- **Pluperfect subjunctive (*il trapassato del congiuntivo*)**
- **Correlation of the tenses in the subjunctive**

**Class : Advanced 4**

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