**Sample Course Outline**

Italian: Second Language

General Year 11

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Unit 1 and Unit 2

#### Semester 1 – Questo mio mondo (Here and now)

| **Week** | **Learning contexts and topics** | **Key teaching points** |
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| 1–6 | **Introduction**  The individual:  ***Presentiamoci!*** (Let’s introduce ourselves!)   * me * at home * at school * my social life: sport, pastimes, shopping, going out and celebrations.   **Assessment task 1:  Response: Listening (Week 4)**  **Assessment task 2:  Written communication (Week 5)**  **Assessment task 3:  Oral communication (Week 6)** | **Text types and textual conventions**: article, blog posting, description, email, role-play.  **Linguistic resources**   * Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with  *Presentiamoci!* * Grammar * adjectives – regular and common irregular; position and agreement; possessive * articles – definite * negative – *non* * nouns – regular and common irregular * prepositions – *in*, *a*, *di* * pronouns – subject * verbs – infinitive; present tense – regular and common irregular; *piacere – mi* and *ti.* * Sound and writing systems, introduction to: * vowels and consonants, including: rolled ‘r’; ‘c’ or ‘g’ followed by ‘i’ or ‘e’; ‘ch’ and ‘gh’ followed by  ‘i’ or ‘e’; gli/gle * vowel elision * stress and accent marks.   **Intercultural understandings**  Reflect on own language and culture in relation to the Italian language and culture:   * protocols for introducing self and others * familiar and polite forms of address * influence of other languages.   **Language learning and communication strategies**   * identifying gender of nouns * recognising patterns in words * making connections with English * recognising cognates * identifying key words * recognising common ‘false friends’ * asking for clarification * manipulating and personalising formulaic language * using a bilingual dictionary – Italian alphabet, recognising gender of nouns. |
| 7–11 | The Italian-speaking communities:  ***La vita quotidiana dei giovani in Italia*** (Daily life of young people in Italy)   * young people in Italy * daily routine * school * popular activities.   **Assessment task 4:  Response: Viewing and reading (Week 8)** | **Text types and textual conventions**: article, blog posting, conversation, email, script.  **Linguistic resources**   * Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *La vita quotidiana dei giovani in Italia* * Grammar * adjectives – regular and common irregular; position and agreement; possessive cont. * articles – indefinite * nouns – regular and common irregular cont. * numerical expressions – date; time * pronouns – reflexive * verbs – present tense – regular (including *isc*), common irregular; common reflexive * Sound and writing systems – consolidation of: * vowels and consonants, including: rolled ‘r’; ‘c’ or ‘g’ followed by ‘i’ or ‘e’; ‘ch’ and ‘gh’ followed by  ‘i’ or ‘e’; gli/gle * vowel elision * stress and accent marks.   **Intercultural understandings**  Reflect on own language and culture in relation to the Italian language and culture:   * common behaviours/practices related to interpersonal relationships * typical everyday activities and common social rituals engaged in by young people * school hours and types of schools.   **Language learning and communication strategies**   * identifying parts of a sentence e.g. noun, verb * listening for key words, transcribing unfamiliar vocabulary phonetically, summarising information * experimenting with formulaic language to create new meaning * identifying key words and main points in texts * using a bilingual dictionary – identifying verbs, adjectives and common abbreviations. |
| 12–16 | The changing world:  ***La tecnologia nella vita quotidiana*** (Technology in daily life)   * technology at home * technology at school * technology for socialising.   **Assessment task 5:  Written communication  (Week 14)**  **Assessment task 6:  Oral communication (Week 15)** | **Text types and textual conventions**: advertisement, article, chart, interview, table.  **Linguistic resources**   * Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *La tecnologia nella vita quotidiana* * Grammar * verbs – present tense – common irregular (*avere*, *essere*, *fare*, *andare*) * Sound and writing systems – consolidation.   **Intercultural understandings**  Reflect on own language and culture in relation to the Italian language and culture:   * technology in daily lives * place of technology in socialising/communicating.   **Language learning and communication strategies**   * recognising parts of verb conjugations * making connections with first language * listening for key words, transcribing unfamiliar vocabulary phonetically, summarising information * experimenting with formulaic language to create new meaning * identifying key words and main points in texts. |

#### Semester 2 – Cose da fare, luoghi da visitare! (Things to do, places to go!)

| **Week** | **Learning contexts and topics** | **Key teaching points** |
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| 1–7 | **Introduction**  The individual:  ***Il mio quartiere***  (My neighbourhood)   * my local neighbourhood * weekend places * holiday places.   **Assessment task 7:  Response: Listening (Week 5)**  **Assessment task 8:  Response: Viewing and reading (Week 6)**  **Assessment task 9:  Written communication (Week 7)** | **Text types and textual conventions**: blog posting, email, journal entry, message.  **Linguistic resources**   * Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with  *Il mio quartiere.* * Grammar * adjectives – superlative using – *issimo, molto* * interrogatives – *chi*?, *che cosa*?, *dove*?, *quando*?, *perché*? * prepositions – articulated – with places * verbs – present tense – irregular, including *dare, stare, dire, venire;* present perfect (past tense) – singular forms * Sound and writing systems * vowels and consonants, including: double consonants; ‘s’, ‘ss’, ‘z’, ‘zz’; ‘gn’; ‘sc’,‘sch’ and ‘gh’ followed by ‘i’ or ‘e’ * syllabification and stress.   **Intercultural understandings**  Reflect on own language and culture in relation to the Italian language and culture:   * the Italian neighbourhood * places in the neighbourhood to catch up with friends – Australia and Italy * urban and rural living.   **Language learning and communication strategies**   * identifying parts of a sentence e.g. noun, verb * listening for key words, transcribing unfamiliar vocabulary phonetically, summarising information * identifying key words and main points in texts * experimenting with formulaic language to create new meaning * thinking critically and analytically * using a bilingual dictionary – differentiate between nouns and verbs, cross-checking meaning. |
| 8–11 | The Italian-speaking communities:  ***Lavoro e divertimento in Italia*** (At work and at leisure in Italy)   * young people balancing:   + - school,     - work and     - leisure time.   **Assessment task 10:  Response: Listening  (Week 10)** | **Text types and textual conventions**: article, chart, conversation, review.  **Linguistic resources**   * Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *Lavoro e divertimento in Italia.* * Grammar * adverbs – quantity – *molto, poco, troppo*; time – *spesso, qualche volta, ieri, prima, dopo* * conjunctions – *e*, *con*, *ma* * verbs – modal – *dovere, potere, volere;* present perfect (past tense) – singular forms (cont.) * Sound and writing systems – consolidation. |
|  |  | **Intercultural understandings**  Reflect on own language and culture in relation to the Italian language and culture:   * attitudes to school, part-time jobs * trends in leisure activities for young people * issues in the lives of young people related to school, work and/or leisure * influence of other languages or cultures on work and leisure.   **Language learning and communication strategies**   * locating key words, transcribing unfamiliar vocabulary * asking for clarification * structuring information and expressing ideas * manipulating language * using a bilingual dictionary – recognising ‘head words’ in the dictionary; restricting use of dictionary. |
| 12–16 | The changing world:  ***La tecnologia e il tempo libero*** (Technology and leisure)   * technology as entertainment.   **Assessment task 11:  Response: Viewing and reading (Week 12)**  **Assessment task 12:  Oral communication  (Week 14)** | **Text types and textual conventions**: advertisement, conversation, letter, map.  **Linguistic resources**   * Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *La tecnologia e il tempo libero.* * Grammar * negative expressions – *non...mai, non…più* * verbs – *piacere – gli* and *le* * Sound and writing systems – consolidation.   **Intercultural understandings**  Reflect on own language and culture in relation to the Italian language and culture:   * language related to technology * popular technology for young people * positive and negative aspects of technology.   **Language learning and communication strategies**   * avoiding repetition when writing * rote learning vocabulary and set phrases * identifying key words, transcribing unfamiliar vocabulary * using a bilingual dictionary – using online dictionaries; limitations of bilingual dictionaries. |