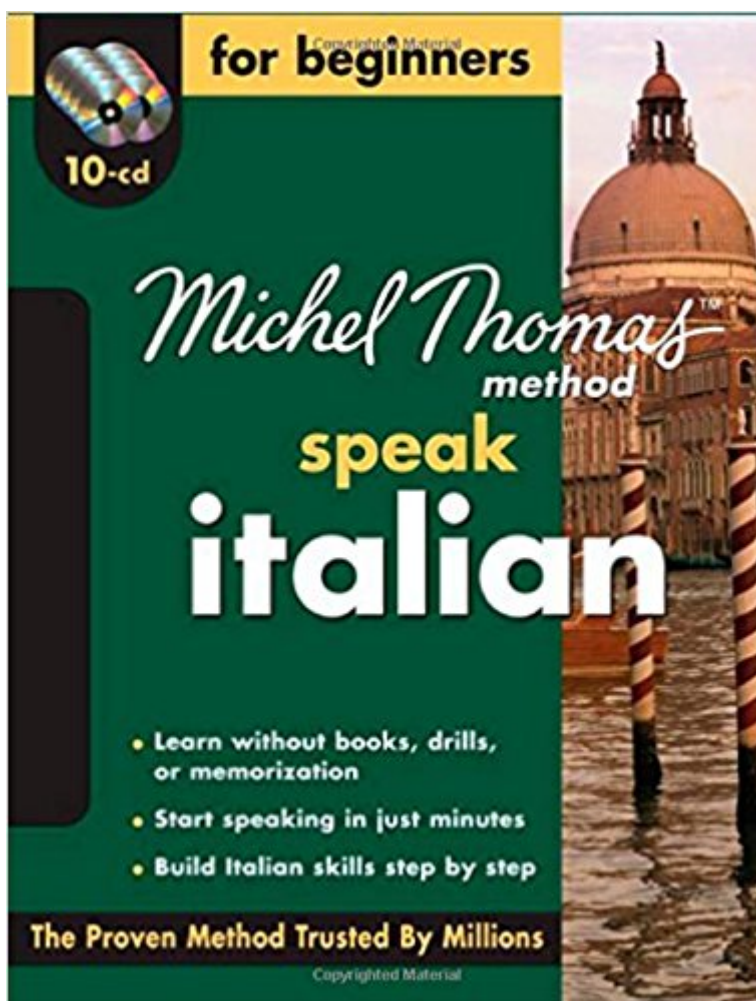


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Customer Reviews

Michel Thomas taught languages for more than fifty years, developing a unique and revolutionary learning system that made him the world's leading language teacher. His method has been used to teach celebrities, diplomats, dignitaries, academics, and business executives.

I have been very impressed with the method of learning verb forms and basic sentence structure first and letting vocabulary take care of itself. I have used the Barrons series for both French and Spanish and prefer this series. I used a tutor for French and this approach reminds me of that experience as it forces you to engage your mind and work your way through the language rather

than just rote memorization. Some have criticized Mr. Thomas' accent and it took me a short while to adjust but it is not an issue. When in Italy you will encounter various accents as well. The formal versus informal is a valid point but a small one. If you need a big manual and learn by reading and writing (individuals learn in three different manners and we all favor one of them) then find something that is text oriented and use it as a supplement. After all Italian is a spoken language and you will mostly be speaking it and hearing it. And the convenience and portability is great, leave a disc in your car or plug in your ipod and you get a lesson while commuting or running errands without making time to do so.

His approach is different from any language course I've used (and I've bought a lot of them!) Maybe because I'm a former teacher, I love it! The lessons are recorded with him teaching two students and listening to them struggle with the language. You simply pause the CD and try to respond first before the students do. Somehow, hearing them respond helps the learning stick in my brain better. Can't promise other people will like this approach or not but I sure do.

I am not a native Italian speaker, but love Italy and visit my husband's relatives there whenever possible. When I arrive I go "cold turkey" in Italian without an interpreter. I shop, travel, etc. alone. Over the years I studied Italian several ways: classes, tapes from other vendors and then the much touted Rosetta Stone. I had been able to make myself understood but have been told I "murder" the Italian language. The Michel Thomas program is the best! I started with the vocabulary builder thinking I could deal with the basics, but decided to go back to the very beginning as a review. I learned so much about structure and grammar that I hadn't internalized from other sources. I would recommend this program for anyone who really wants to converse in Italian! PS: The German program is equally good!

I don't think there is a better teacher of languages than Michel Thomas. His method and mastery, as well as how he encourages you to become confident in the language, are top rate.

I am enjoying this method. I have been to Italy twice since I bought it. No I am not fluent -- my problem is I have some Portuguese and I get mixed up and the Italians have no idea what I'm saying. I need to study more for my next visit.

Best way to learn a language. I love learning at my own pace. I use the CDs daily while going to and

from work

My husband is Italian American. When he told me that he wants to learn Italian. I got this for his birthday. He loves it and practices speaking Italian everyday. Now he finished the beginner program and he wants to buy advanced program.

Michael Thomas Speak Italian is very easy to follow. I am surprised at how fast i am learning to speak the language.

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