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# Baby's First Steps In Italian



## **Synopsis**

Baby's First Steps in Italian is a great way to invigorate babies' minds and give them an extra edge for learning down the line. Created by an expert in linguistics, this program is based on well-known and proven principles of language development in young children. Babies and toddlers have a natural gift for languages. They learn them effortlessly, and, unlike adults, they can make the sounds of any language in the world. The audio CD surrounds babies with the sounds of Italian through soothing lullabies, songs, rhymes, words, and phrases. The accompanying book for parents is entertaining, informative, and explains exactly what's going on in their baby's head. Best of all, the program is easy and relaxing--perfect for new parents with so little time (and energy) to spare. Key Features:  
\* The program is based on established and accepted research in child language development  
\* For newborns to 24 months  
\* The book is fun and easy, and requires little time  
\* The CD can be used in baby's nursery or on the go  
Includes:  
60-minute audio CD, 80-page book and 16-page lyric sheet

## **Book Information**

Age Range: 2 and up

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Audio CD

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## **Customer Reviews**

As a native Italian speaker I wanted to teach my son Italian but had difficulty finding music and books to support me. I was delighted to find that the CD had not only spoken words but songs and rhymes, many which I remember from my childhood. The book is wonderful because it gives tips on

how to use the CD as well as a great deal of information about bilingual education. If you only buy one book or CD to teach your baby Italian, this is the one to get!!

My mother bought this for my 1 month old this past Christmas sort of as a joke because we are going on a family trip to Italy in May. I started playing it in the car and found that it really calms her when she gets antsy on our outings. I swear, she will be crying with no stopping in sight and I turn on this CD and she calms down and is usually asleep by song #3. I know all the words now and it is also helping me practice my pronunciation for our trip. I have started buying it for my friends as baby shower gifts.

This CD is a great way to introduce a baby to another language! I was really happy with it. You get a lot for your money. It is broken down into age groups newborn-6 mos, 6-12 mos, 12-18 mos, and 18-24 mos. Within each age group there is a mix of songs, rhymes, and parentese (kind of like when parents talk to their children in baby talk). They also have all different ages of people talking on the tape...older people, parents, and children...so baby gets to hear a mix of different voices. There is also segments to expose babies to consonant and double consonant sounds. It comes with lyrics in English and Italian. And it comes with a booklet to explain how babies learn a language. My son started listening to this CD a little later than the CD recommends, at 13 mos, but he enjoys it. He dances to some of the songs.

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I purchased this for my son after he was born and he loves it! Whether in the car or the house, he always listens to it contently. I enjoy the fact that the speakers are native Italian. Since I listen to the CD a lot I have picked up several of the songs and rhymes. I chose one song that I have been singing to my baby since he was 2 months old (he's now 8 months) and it has become our "special" song. I don't expect my child to become fluent in Italian by only listening to this CD, but it is a fun way to expose him to a foreign language.

I speak Italian but it's getting rusty so I find myself learning a lot while this fun CD is playing. I keep it in the car and everytime we drive somewhere, my 1 year old and I listen to the poems, songs and rhymes. He's now starting to respond with giggles and coos when the songs he likes comes on. The only reason I don't give it 5 stars is because I'd love to hear more kids voices because my son really responds to them more than the adult voices. But that's minor in all the sounds he's being subjected to and all the phrases, nursery rhymes, etc. He's been listening to this CD since he was 5 months old.

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