



## A Quiz about Beautiful Italy

1. Italy has more than 20 volcanoes.  
One of them, Mt Vesuvius erupted in AD 79 destroying which city ?
2. The fashion capital of Italy is Milan. Name three famous Italian fashion designers .
3. Giuseppe Verdi was one of Italy's most famous composers. Name one of his operas?
4. Michelangelo started painting the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel in 1508. When did he finish?  
a) 1510 b) 1512 c) 1514
5. The Italian flag was adopted officially in 1948. What are its colours?
6. How many World Cup titles (soccer) has Italy won ?  
a) six b) four c) none
7. The famous Italian operatic tenor, Luciano Pavarotti was born in 1935 in which city in northern Italy?
8. What are tartufo, tiramisu and panna cotta?  
a) Italian songs b) Italian pasta dishes c) Italian desserts
9. Give three words that we use in English that are actually Italian words.
10. Name three of Shakespeare's plays where some or all of the action takes place in Italy.
11. What is the expression in English which refers to the fact that 'Important work takes time.'
12. Napoleon was exiled on this Italian island between 1814 – 1815. What is the island's name?
13. In which Italian city is there a famous leaning tower?
14. Name the capital city of Italy.
15. Name one of the four seas that surround Italy.
16. What is the famous Italian city which sits in the water and is full of canals?



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### **Answers**

- 1. Pompeii**
- 2. Armani, Versace, Gucci, Valentino, Prada, Moschino**
- 3. Aida, Rigoletto, Nabucco, La Traviata, Otello, Il Trovatore**
- 4. It took him four years to complete: 1512**
- 5. The Italian flag is a tricolour featuring three equally sized vertical stripes of green, white and red, with the green at the hoist side.**
- 6. Four times: 1934, 1938, 1982, 2006**
- 7. Modena**
- 8. Italian desserts**
- 9. Casino, risotto, ravioli, espresso, macaroni, martini, antipasto, al dente, gelato, pizza, panini, allegro, piano, cappuccino, spaghetti**
- 10. All's Well that Ends Well, Antony and Cleopatra, Coriolanus, Cymbeline, Julius Caesar, The Merchant of Venice, Much Ado About Nothing, Othello, Romeo and Juliet, The Taming of the Shrew, Titus Andronicus, The Two Gentlemen of Verona and The Winter's Tale.**
- 11. Rome wasn't built in a day**
- 12. Elba**
- 13. Pisa**
- 14. Rome**
- 15. Mediterranean Sea, Ionian Sea, Adriatic Sea and the Tyrrhenian Sea.**
- 16. Venice**

