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Baby's First Steps In Italian



Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

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Our baby is 6 months old, and we have been playing this CD in the car on most outings since he was 4 months old. My husband and I have refined a lot of our Italian vocabulary, grammar, and proper pronunciation from referring to the liner notes while the CD plays. The songs are really catchy, too - which can be good or bad, depending on how you feel about having these tunes come to mind even when the CD isn't playing. When I sing the songs to my son without the CD, he perks up, smiles, and appears to listen. I think it's clear that he recognizes them, so the content must be sinking in on some level. I used to dread the thought of listening to children's CDs in the car instead of "our own" regular music, but this CD makes it enjoyable. What's better than learning while you're enjoying yourself?

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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.

We are a bilingual Italian-English family and give this to all of our friends who are serious about teaching Italian. The CD and book are excellently written/put together. Progresses through the phonics. My husband's a native speaker and is a big fan too.

I am an Italian speaker and have been looking for creative ways to teach our newborn (now 2 months old) Italian. This CD has been a great resource - it is fun for both child and parent, has a great mix of songs and tongue twisters, and the accompanying booklet has been helpful for my husband (who is learning Italian) to follow along. I highly recommend it. It is a staple at our home particularly during dinnertime to keep baby content (she coos to the CD now!) while learning basic phonic skills that will help her in the future to speak Italian.

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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.

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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