# Italian high schools

## Activity 1

View the first 3 minutes of the clip [Do You Know This Weird Thing About Italian High Schools? (15:11)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cmbgZLgZUfU) with subtitles. In the table below, write the English translation for each type of high school, as well as one to 2 sentences about the school.

Pause the video, as required.

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| High school type | English translation and explanation |
| **liceo scientifico tecnologico** |  |
| **liceo classico** |  |
| **scuola alberghiera** |  |
| **liceo linguistico** |  |
| **liceo socio-psicopedagogico** |  |
| **istituto tecnico** |  |

## Activity 2

Below is a list of subjects studied at each different type of high school mentioned in the video clip. In the table below, place the subjects in the row(s) you think they belong, then watch the clip to see if you were right. If you are not sure of the meaning of some of them, you can ask your teacher or wait until the clip is played to see the translation. Your teacher will play the video more than once.

fisica, chimica, disegno tecnico, matematica, cucinare(cooking)*,* come ci si comporta a tavola (food service), latino, greco, storia, filosofia, geografia, elettronica, telecomunicazioni, circuiti

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| High school type | Subjects |
| **liceo scientifico tecnologico** |  |
| **liceo linguistico** |  |
| **scuola alberghiera** |  |
| **liceo socio-psicopedagogico** |  |
| **liceo classico** |  |
| **istituto tecnico** |  |

## Activity 3

In your own words, answer the following reflection questions:

1. What surprised you most about the information on Italian high schools?
2. What advantages do you see to the Italian system?
3. What disadvantages do you see to the Italian system?
4. Which school system do you think you would prefer, the Italian system or the Australian system? Why?
5. Which type of school do you think you would attend if you lived in Italy?

## Activity 4 – Qual è la tua materia preferita?

View [A scuola – Intervista Unità 1, Progetto italiano Junior 1 (2:13)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B_P2rAr9wqQ&list=PL5JGBVAeTsuO5pnks-SSq3phrEqkvZFAw&index=2) (to 0:31), which shows students talking about their favourite school subjects in Italian. Tick which school subjects in the list you hear mentioned in the interview.

Science

English

Italian

Physical Education (PE)

Latin

History

Chemistry

Economics

Geography

Art

Mathematics

Physics

Music

## For the teacher

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### Activity 1

Student explanations will vary.

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| High school type | English translation and explanation |
| **liceo scientifico tecnologico** | science and technology high school |
| **liceo classico** | classical high school |
| **scuola alberghiera** | hospitality school |
| **liceo linguistico** | linguistics high school |
| **liceo socio-psicopedagogico** | psycho-pedagogical (teaching) high school |
| **istituto tecnico** | technical institute – similar to TAFE |

### Activity 2

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| High school type | Subjects |
| **liceo scientifico tecnologico** | fisica, chimica, disegno tecnico, matematica |
| **liceo linguistico** | latino, greco |
| **scuola alberghiera** | cucinare, come ci si comporta a tavola |
| **liceo socio-psicopedagogico** |  |
| **liceo classico** | storia, filosofia, geografia |
| **istituto tecnico** | elettronica, telecomunicazioni, circuiti |

### Activity 4 – Qual è la tua materia preferita?

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English

Italian

Physical Education (PE)

Latin

History

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Economics

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Art

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