**Sample Course Outline**

Italian: Second Language

ATAR Year 11

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Unit 1 and Unit 2

#### Semester 1 – Rapporti (Relationships)

| **Week** | **Learning contexts and topics** | **Key teaching points** |
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| 1–4 | The Italian-speaking communities:***Le tradizioni, gli spettacoli e le feste***(Traditions, events and celebrations)* Italian traditions, events and celebrations
* Italian sense of community and cultural awareness
 | **Text types and textual conventions**: article, blog posting, description, message.**Linguistic resources*** Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *Le tradizioni, gli spettacoli e le feste*
* Grammar
* adjectives – possessive
* adverbs– *molto, poco, troppo*
* nouns – gender, number
* prepositions – preposition + infinitive verb
* verbs – use of *piacere;* present tense
* Sound and writing systems – consolidation of spelling and pronunciation rules; formation of plurals

**Intercultural understandings*** *capodanno*
* major Italian festivals and community celebrations in Italy and Australia
* Italian public holidays
* traditions maintained by expatriate Italian-speaking communities

**Language learning and communication strategies*** dictionary skills – locating and translating abbreviations, understanding verb information, confirming meaning
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| **Assessment Task 1 Assessment Task 2** |
| 5–11 | The individual: ***Rapporti in famiglia, tra gli amici e a scuola*** (Family, friend and school relationships)* different relationships – family, friends and school
* importance of friendship
* importance of friendship in the lives of young Italians

**Assessment Task 3****Assessment Task 4** | **Text types and textual conventions**: blog posting, email, conversation, script. **Linguistic resources*** Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *Rapporti in famiglia, tra gli amici e a scuola*
* Grammar
* adverbs– *spesso, qualche volta, ieri, prima, dopo;* formation –*mente*
* nouns – invariable forms
* pronouns – direct object (with infinitive and simple tenses)
* verbs – use of *piacere* (cont.)*;* present tense (cont.)*;* modal verbs (*dovere, potere, volere)*

**Intercultural understandings*** common Italian behaviours/practices related to interpersonal relationships
* use of formal/informal language
* showing of affection between friends, family members
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|  |  | **Language learning and communication strategies*** listening – strategies for locating key words, transcribing unfamiliar vocabulary
* writing – strategies for improving fluency of writing e.g. using conjunctions to link sentences, synonyms for variety; proofreading
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| 12–15 | The changing world:***Comunicare nel mondo moderno***(Communicating in a modern world)* staying in touch – internet, mobiles, social networking
* impact of technology on the lives of young people around the world
 | **Text types and textual conventions**: advertisement, article, interview.**Linguistic resources*** Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *Comunicare nel mondo moderno*
* Grammar
* prepositions – prepositional phrases; verb + preposition
* verbs – *avere* and *fare* expressions; present perfect (past) tense
* Sound and writing systems – consolidation

**Intercultural understandings*** place of technology in socialising/communicating
* trends in use of technology by teenagers

**Language learning and communication strategies*** dictionary skills – consolidation
* reading – strategies for recognising key words, deciphering word order, identifying global meaning, checking dictionary for meaning
* oral – strategies for listening for meaning, thinking on the spot
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| **Assessment Task 5****Assessment Task 6** |
| 16 | Examination week **Assessment Task 7: Semester 1 practical (oral) examinationAssessment Task 8: Semester 1 written examination** |

#### Semester 2 – Andiamo! (Travel – let’s go!)

| **Week** | **Learning contexts and topics** | **Key teaching points** |
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| 1–56–8 | The individual: ***Le vacanze – racconti e progetti***(My holiday tales and plans)* holiday tales
* planning a trip
* travelling at home and/or abroad

**Assessment Task 9****Assessment Task 10*****Destinazione Italia*** (Destination Italy)* travel in an Italian region (Sicily)
* tourist attractions
* cultural experiences
 | **Text types and textual conventions**: blog posting, email, journal entry, message. **Linguistic resources*** Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *Le vacanze – racconti e progetti*
* Grammar
* adjectives – comparative and relative superlative (regular forms)
* prepositions – articulated
* pronouns – direct object (with compound tenses)
* verbs – future tense; imperfect tense
* Sound and writing systems – spelling using the phonetic alphabet (city names)

**Intercultural understandings*** popular holiday and travel activities for young people – Australia and Italy
* popular tourist spots in Sicily
* Italian attitude to tourists

**Language learning and communication strategies*** dictionary skills – discerning between multiple meanings
* writing – strategies for engaging the reader
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| **Assessment Task 11** |
| 9–11 | The changing world:***Viaggiare oggi*** (Travel in a modern world)* technology and travel
* holiday planning
* communicating while on holiday

**Assessment Task 12**  | **Text types and textual conventions**: article, chart, conversation, review.**Linguistic resources*** Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *Viaggiare oggi*
* Grammar
* articles – partitive
* pronouns – indirect object
* verbs – future tense (cont.); imperfect tense (cont.); conditional mood (singular forms).

**Intercultural understandings*** attitudes to travel (Italy versus Australia)
* popular travel destinations for young Italians/Australians in a changing world
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| 12–15 | The Italian-speaking communities:***Destinazione Australia*** (Destination Australia)* Australia as a travel destination
* Preparing an Italian speaker for a trip to Australia
 | **Text types and textual conventions**: advertisement, conversation, letter, map.**Linguistic resources*** Vocabulary, phrases and expressions associated with *Destinazione Australia*
* Grammar
* pronouns – use of *ne* and *ci*, use of impersonal *si*
* verbs – future tense (cont.); imperfect tense (cont.); conditional mood (singular forms) (cont.)

**Intercultural understandings*** expectations of Italian travellers when travelling abroad
* meal times and daily routines

**Language learning and communication strategies*** consolidation of strategies
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| **Assessment Task 13****Assessment Task 14** |
| 16 | Examination week **Assessment Task 15: Semester 2 practical (oral) examinationAssessment Task 16: Semester 2 written examination** |