

## shopping for food

<p><b>Learn with television</b></p> <p><b>Talk Italian: Programme 3</b></p> <p>Go shopping in Bologna for the pork meats and sausages for which the city has been renowned since the Middle Ages, and discover the wonderful variety of fresh fruit and vegetables in the market.</p> <p>Talk Italian is repeated regularly on BBC Learning Zone (BBC Two). Check out the details on <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone">www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone</a> then video the programmes to watch at your leisure. <i>Talk Italian was filmed when Italy's currency was the lira.</i></p>	<p><b>Learn online</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/italian">www.bbc.co.uk/languages/italian</a></p> <p><b>Italian Steps Stage 3: Shopping for food</b></p> <p>Join Giovanna in Vicenza on market day as she stocks up on local seasonal produce. Then do the activities, read about Italian food festivals and check out the links to sites of interest.</p> <p><b>Talk Italian: Le compere</b></p> <p>Watch the video clip of Katuscia buying cold meats and cheeses in the salumeria (delicatessen) then tackle the activities before checking whether you could do the same.</p>
<p><b>Learning hint</b></p> <p>The simplest strategies for learning new words are often the most effective. The act of writing words down really helps to make them stick in the mind. Where food is concerned, you can double the impact by writing the names of foodstuffs on sticky labels and attaching them to packets, containers, bottles and the fridge door for a few days.</p>	
<p><b>Key language</b></p> <p><b>Mi dica?</b> Can I help you?</p> <p><b>Desidera?</b> What would you like?</p> <p><b>Così?</b> Like this?</p> <p><b>Altro?</b> Anything else?</p> <p><b>Vorrei</b> I'd like</p> <p><b>Mi dà</b> I'll have (lit. Give me)</p> <p><b>Basta così</b> That's enough</p> <p><b>Va bene</b> Fine/ That's fine</p> <p><b>Quant'è?</b> How much is it?</p>	<p><b>un etto</b> 100 grams</p> <p><b>due etti</b> 200 grams</p> <p><b>un chilo</b> 1 kilo</p> <p><b>due chili</b> 2 kilos</p> <p><b>un po'</b> a little</p> <p><b>di questo</b> of this one</p> <p><b>meno</b> less</p> <p><b>più</b> more</p> <p><b>anche</b> too/ also</p>
<p><b>Quiz</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Which of these would you <i>not</i> expect to find in a <b>salumeria</b>: <b>prosciutto</b>, <b>duroni</b>, <b>salame</b>, <b>mortadella</b>?</li> <li>And which of these are you not likely to include in a fruit salad: <b>zucca</b>, <b>ciliegie</b>, <b>lamponi</b>, <b>pomodori</b>, <b>mirtilli</b>?</li> <li>To ask for 'some' <b>formaggio</b>, <b>pane</b>, <b>vino</b> or <b>prosciutto</b>, would you use <b>del</b> or <b>della</b>?</li> <li>How would you ask for 300 grams of Parma ham?</li> <li>You've finished your shopping and the assistant asks <b>Basta così?</b> What do you say?</li> <li>If you're told <b>Può pagare alla cassa</b>, what should you do?</li> </ol> <p>Answers on <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/italian/answers.shtml">www.bbc.co.uk/languages/italian/answers.shtml</a></p>	