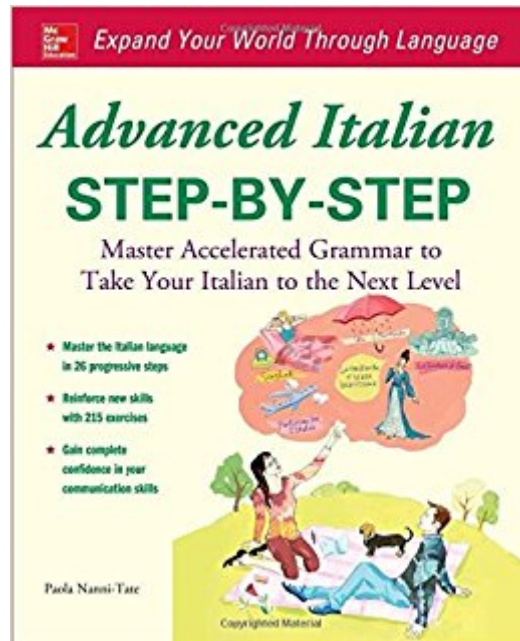




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Paola Nanni-Tate teaches Italian at Ohio State University and is the author of Italian Verb Drills and Practice Makes Perfect: Italian Verb Tenses.

It is ok, but there are a surprising amount of errors in the book.Errors in the exercises or in the exercises answers. Maybe it it to keep us students on our toes. I doubt it, just poor copy editing.

As the other comments mention, the exercises and corresponding answers have mistakes.

However, I felt that by finding these mistakes and double checking with my teacher, that I learned

not to make those mistakes ever again! The explanation portions are adequate and are easily supplemented by on-line searches - for example the section on pronomial verbs doesn't cover the depth and breadth of that topic, not does it address using those verbs in other tenses. I think it is fine for a next-step; certainly not beginner. Buona Fortuna!

This book is terrible, riddled with errors (in both Italian and English). Many exercises are pointless, and most of the book is not advanced.

I concur with the other reviewers. This book is a mess. I am a member of an Italian Book Club, all of whose members are American who read and speak the language on an advanced level. We decided recently to take a break from reading novels and do a thorough review of the grammar. I recommended that we use the book under review because the price was so low. And now we are all into it. And we are appalled by all the errors and I am embarrassed by my having recommended it. But since we are so far along in the language we have been able to spot the errors and typos and correct them, though frankly, the task of discerning and correcting has become irritating and laborious. Now here is the kicker: there is another edition of the same book with the same publishing year also offered through at almost triple the price. My question is: does this second edition correct all, or at least most, of the errors of the edition being reviewed here? From looking at the page of the second more expensive edition there is no way of knowing the answer. We do see on the top of the page offering the second edition in the large-lettered book title a date of 2/12/16, 4 days after the publishing date of the cheaper edition I am reviewing here. No other information is given, even under "Product Details." So we are in the dark about the quality of the much more expensive edition. So while I can in good conscience advise the potential buyer not to buy the cheaper version under review here, I cannot in good conscience recommend the more expensive version. My guess is that there has been a horrible mix-up at the publisher's. McGraw-Hill for some reason published the edition I am reviewing here that was riddled with errors, and they knew this. Now they are trying to dump this bad press run on the customer. But then they quickly issued another edition, but at a very high price that will push the buyer to the cheaper edition that they need to dump. But is the new, expensive edition expunged of all its errors, typos, and incomprehensibilities? We won't know until several people buy it and review it. So, dear reader, my recommendation now is to stay far away from purchasing either edition until McGraw and clear up this mess.

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