

30a Lost in English

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Anagrams are made by rearranging the letters of one word to form a new word, for example, *lost* / *lots*.

Anagrams can help us learn to spell new words and are fun to try to solve. Here are some more anagrams and some words for you to find –

space – paces

mug – gum

north – thorn

tea _____

ten _____

was _____

tab _____

ram _____

tired _____

read _____

Italian words

In the book *Lost in English*, Giacomo knows only three English words. How many Italian words do you know? Write the meaning of these Italian words. Use a dictionary, or someone who speaks Italian, to help you.

ufficio _____

grazie _____

signor _____

ciao _____

scuola _____

gatto _____

cane _____

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Write a story. Imagine you are in a new school, in a new city, in a new country – just like Giacomo. Use the following to help you.

- Find a real city in Italy in which to set your story.
- Think of three Italian words that you know to use in your story.
- Give Italian names to the Italian people in your story.
- Think of a different solution to the problem of not knowing the language. Use some of the ideas from your group discussion.

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Imagine you are the character Giacomo from the book *Lost in English*. Answer the following questions. (You will need to find out some things about Italy in order to answer these questions.)

1. In which city did you live in Italy?

2. Why did you come to live in our country?

3. What sport did you like best in Italy?

4. What is the capital city of Italy?

5. What food from Italy do you like best? What food do you like from your new country?

On the back of this sheet, draw a picture of Giacomo and his family in Italy.