

Text 3.1 personal e-mail (personal data has been modified)

Dear Maria,

I am very happy to receive your email. I look forward to meeting your children. You sound a very nice family!!

That is great I will start to seriously to ask around for some work experience for Roberto, tell me what is preferable? I think to work in a cafe can be quite fun because you meet many people. but if you can send me information about Roberto's interests? does he like arts or finance or sports?? I can think of some ideas. I live in a busy area with many restaurants and shops – Maybe a few different projects would be more interesting, I am sure he doesn't want to be stuck in an office!

I will look up the language schools, the best ones and also local, I think it is nice to walk.

I will be very happy to show them how to get around, and where is good places and not good places! and I will take them to the tube station for season ticket. etc.

Do not worry for any money in advance right now, I am not going to get anyone else before end of September – and I prefer people through the friends, – I would prefer for payment if you can give cash when Roberto arrives – one month £600 all together, then after that he can pay £150 each week for length of his stay, that is fine. (I rent a room only sometimes, as I have a big apartment and I am a photographer/artist also starting PhD project – so lots of research and not so much money!)

When Roberto arrives at Victoria Station, he can go directly by tube on the Victoria Line (blue one) to my place, it is MUCH easier than taking a taxi, which will be expensive. The tube is only 6 stops direct with no change about 10 minutes and I live next door to the tube station. I can meet him there depending on the time, send me details, as I am working some of the time. I will send all details soon. Do you have a fax number? I will send you a small map.

My address is

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23 Westbourne Corner  
London N5 1RB

tel 00 44 207 628 89 16 home phone  
00 44 7807 423 753 mobile phone

By the way where do you all live in Italy?

I will write to you again

Best regards

ANNE

Text 3.2 Adapted from personal e-mail (personal data has been modified)

Dear all,

Please visit our website <http://www.uniste.it/resi2010>: we are now only accepting late registrations of convenors and speakers, to avoid overcrowding. On the 5th of July we will also close registrations for the conference dinner, which is nearly full up.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DEADLINE FOR ACCOMMODATION EXPIRES ON 5 JULY. NO PAYMENT FOR ACCOMMODATION WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER 9 JULY: AFTER THIS DATE ALL ACCOMMODATION BOOKINGS WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN PAID FOR WILL BE CONSIDERED NULL.

\*SEE REGISTRATION FORM

We warmly recommend to all who arrive on the 23rd and 24th to register on the 24th of August. For those who are coming in late on the 24th, I attach a more detailed schedule of DAY ONE: the location of each building is visible on the Conference site (map & page on venues).

Finally, let me remind you of our most relevant recommendation on our site page 'Advice: A to Z', which we hope you will read carefully: make sure you have comfortable footwear! And to really enjoy the city, its sights and flavours, please visit our 'See Catania' page, where INFORMATION on the WEATHER IN CATANIA is UPDATED DAILY.

That is all for the moment, and of course, let me wish you BUONA ESTATE.

Ciao and grazie for your attention, hoping convenors will be so kind as to forward this to their seminar mailing list JUST IN CASE THIS MESSAGE SHOULD BE REJECTED AS «BULK MAIL»!

Text 3.3 G. FISH, Stop the Standardized Test Tyranny,  
[http://www.businessweek.com/debateroom/archives/2009/01/stop\\_the\\_standards.html](http://www.businessweek.com/debateroom/archives/2009/01/stop_the_standards.html).

(...) While GPAs are important criteria for measuring long-term academic achievement, they can't tell us how well students know the basics required or if they will perform well in colleges and at any job without having to take remedial classes to

catch up to other students.

(...) There's no reason the basics being measured on the test can't be learned in parallel with pupils' self-exploration. A teach-the-test-policy is not necessarily a red flag for a potential problem.

It's true that already underfunded schools will have a higher likelihood of failing the test, and it seems cruel to cut funding to a struggling district. However, when administrators are reminded that the survival of the school depends on their ability to make sure children are getting a good education that will be a firm foundation for their later academic and career achievements, they'll be more persuaded to focus all their efforts on making sure that students know the basics. Giving them even more money without any sign of improvement just lets them know that it's okay if they fail to do their duty – they will get their cash anyway. – G.F.

Text 3.4 R. KAVA, 2001, What's the Story? The Role of Milk in Your Diet, 1 giugno 2001, [http://www.acsh.org/publications/pubid.513/pub\\_detail.asp](http://www.acsh.org/publications/pubid.513/pub_detail.asp).

Milk is a nutritious food. It is an excellent source of calcium, phosphorus, riboflavin, and vitamin D and a good source of protein, vitamin A, potassium, and several B vitamins. Milk and foods made from milk (yogurt and cheese) make up one of the five basic food groups included in the U.S. government's Food Guide Pyramid. The Pyramid calls for two to three servings from this group daily.

Text 3.5 C. DARWIN, [1859] 1866, The Origin of Species, John Murray, London, p. 577.

It is interesting to contemplate an entangled bank, clothed with many plants of many kinds, with birds singing on the bushes, with various insects flitting about, and with worms crawling through the damp earth, and to reflect that these elaborately constructed forms, so different from each other, and dependent on each other in so complex a manner, have all been produced by laws acting around us.

Text 3.6 Annuncio pubblicitario, British Homes & Gardens, giugno 2010.

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Text 3.7 Estratto dal foglietto illustrativo di un farmaco.

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Aspirina è un analgesico (antidolorifico: riduce il dolore), antinfiammatorio ed antipiretico (antifebbre: riduce la febbre).

Perché si usa

Aspirina si usa per la terapia sintomatica degli stati febbrili e delle sindromi influenzali e da raffreddamento e per il trattamento sintomatico di mal di testa e di denti, nevralgie, dolori mestruali, dolori reumatici e muscolari.

Come usare questo medicinale

Quanto

1 o 2 compresse di aspirina 400 mg, compresse effervescenti con vitamina C, ripetendo se necessario la dose sino a 3-4 volte al giorno.

Attenzione: non superare le dosi indicate senza il consiglio del medico.