



Hej allesammen! I'm Paolo and I'm from...



Now, because I'm **Italian**, it doesn't mean that I'm a fat plumber who eats pizza and pasta or plays the mandolin (well there are **Italians** like this, but I can ensure I'm not part of them). Actually, the average Italian has never seen a mandolin in his entire life! But I like **pasta** and **pizza**; obviously, I don't eat them 24/7 but they're the typical Italian food so I like them, and I can cook them too!

I'm not a chef, but here in Italy everyone can cook some **pasta**, while **the pizza** is harder because it needs to levitate and it's very hard to get a good levitation. I can also cook various types of meat and I know some cakes that are very good, like the coconut chocolate cake. So, I've been talking only about food, and you might think "Mamma mia (while putting your fingers in the **Italian** hand shape)! This kid's a fat **Italian!**". Well I am not.

I'm a **tennis** player so I do a very tough sport, that isn't just hard physically, but it's hard mentally, because you're always trying to choose the perfect shot, the perfect angle and the perfect anything else. So, **tennis** really changed my mind and my way to look at the world, making me more responsible and focused on important choices. I'm not only a tennis player, I'm an e-racer too. If you are thinking what e-racing is, it's an electronic sport that's played in videogames. For example, I have a console, both electronic steering wheel and pedals, and I have online races with people all around the world. Sometimes I win some of the races, but I'm not a pro yet. Talking about racing, I'm a HUGE Ferrari fan in F1, and my dream is to work as an engineer in the **Scuderia Ferrari**, the F1 team. I also support the Italian team **FC INTER**, and its **Danish** player Christian Eriksen is one of my favourite players, because he had to learn a new way to play in our team, but when he managed to improve, he became, in my opinion, one of the best midfielders in Europe. Obviously, I also watched all the matches of the **Italian** national team during the **Euro 2020** cup, and I'm very happy we ended up winning (and I'm happier because of all the "it's coming Home" thing).

I'm part of the **European Scouts Federation** and the **scout** experience will always be one of the things I'll carry with me during my entire life, because in a **scout** group you have to live with other people during the summer camp, so you learn the rules of a partnership, and these rules can be easily applied at home. The group is divided in other four groups, called **Patrols**; there is a group chief, that coordinates all the **Patrols** and prepares the activities, and then there are four Patrol Chiefs that organise the **Patrols** and give roles and rules to the **Patrol** members. Last year I've been a **Patrol** chief and it was a really good way to learn team working and responsibilities. I've also developed new skills, such as

leadership, co-working and cooking for a big amount of people (because in a scout group each Patrol is independent and cooks for itself).

In my spare time, I do quite a few activities that I love, train my **photographic** skills, because I'm learning to use a reflex camera, and build with **Lego** bricks. As you know better than me, **Lego** is the fusion of two of your terms: **leg** (play) and **godt** (well), so the **Lego** bricks are something to have a good time with because of their name, play well. I've been playing well since I was 5, when my parents gifted me my first **Lego** set, and it was the **Lego DUPLO** farm, that has a building and some animals, as well as a couple of farmers too. Since then, my passion got so big that I started to build a city, but I got bored and I destroyed some of the sets to build what I liked instead. Nowadays I like **Lego** **technic** sets, the ones made for teenagers and adults, because they have mechanical features like engines, steering, lifting mechanisms and a lot of cool functions. I also like the adult vehicle series, and my family owns the **Harley Davidson** motorcycle and the classic **Fiat 500**, which is the most recognisable **Italian** car.

I usually meet my friends during the weekend, because the study and the sport both require a lot of the weeks' time, but when we meet, we don't like to go out in the village where we live, instead we like to meet and play **board games**. We play less known games that are way better like them, because they have an historical background or because they have economic strategies that require a lot of attention. At home I don't have any animal other than a **turtle** called Uga (in **Italian** the "turtle" is called "tartaruga" and Uga, which is the last syllable of the name, is a person's name), because I'm allergic to **dogs'** and **cats'** hairs. Even if it's not a serious allergy, I've only had a couple of **cats** that lived outside of the house, but they always managed to escape from the garden. When we found the **turtle**, we decided to take care of her because we have a garden, and now she's been living with us for 5 years straight. She hibernates during the winter and then comes back when the temperature raises in summer. She's quite big, you need two hands to carry her, and she can "recognise" people from away. When she recognises you, she comes under your feet and waits there until you give her some food, and when she wants some fruit, she follows you around the garden until you feed her!

So that's everything you must know about me, and I hope you liked it. Since I was a kid I've dreamed about coming to Denmark and discover it's culture, probably because of my love for Lego 😊.

Thanks for reading it, jeg ønsker dig en god dag!

Paolo from Italy