



# ITALIAN ACTIVITY

How can you tell if an Italian noun is masculine or feminine?



## List of nouns that change meaning

### Masculine

Italian

English

**il banco**

the desk

**il bilancio**

the budget

**il boa**

the boa constrictor

**il capitale**

the principal

**il caso**

the case

**il cero**

the candle

→

**il collo**

the neck

**il colpo**

the shot

→

**il fine**

the goal

**il foglio**

the sheet

**il gambo**

the stalk

**il masso**

the rock

**il mento**

the chin

**il metro**

the meter

**il modo**

the way

### Feminine

Italian

English

**la banca**

the bank

**la bilancia**

the scale

**la boa**

the buoy

**la capitale**

the capital

**la casa**

the house

**la cera**

the wax

**la colla**

the glue

**la colpa**

the fault

**la fine**

the end

**la foglia**

the leaf

**la gamba**

the leg

**la massa**

the mass

**la menta**

the mint

**la metro**

the underground

**la moda**

the fashion

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the pole

**il panno**

the cloth

**il pasto**

the meal

**il pianto**

the cry

**il posto**

the place

**il punto**

the point/dot

→

**il radio**

the radio

**il razzo**

the rocket

→

**il rosa**

the pink colour

**il soffitto**

the ceiling

**il suolo**

the soil

**il torto**

the wrong/fault

**il velo**

the veil

**il mostro**

the monster

**il latte**

the milk

### Feminine

Italian

English

**la pala**

the shovel

**la panna**

the cream

**la pasta**

the pasta/pastry

**la pianta**

the plant

**la posta**

the post office

**la punta**

the tip

**la radio**

the radio

**la razza**

the race/breed

**la rosa**

the rose

**la soffitta**

the attic

**la suola**

the sole

**la torta**

the cake

**la vela**

the sail

**la mostra**

the exhibition

**la latta**

the tin

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