

A. Ethnic identification:

1. Do you think of yourself as Italian, Canadian or Italian-Canadian?
2. Are most of your friends Italian?
3. Are people in your neighbourhood Italian?
4. Are the people you work with Italian?
5. When you were growing up, were the kids in your school Italian? Were your friends? The kids in your neighbourhood?

B. Language:

1. Do you speak Italian? How well? How often?

If no: Can you understand Italian?

2. Where did you learn Italian? At home? In school?
3. Do you prefer to speak Italian or English?
4. Do you prefer to read and write in Italian or English?

Do you read Italian magazines and newspapers? — Which ones?

5. Do you prefer to listen to the radio or watch TV in Italian or English?

C. Language choice:

1. What language does your family speak when you get together?
2. What language do you speak with your friends?
3. What language do you speak when you're talking about something personal? When you're angry?
4. Did/do you speak to your parents in Italian? Your grandparents?
5. Do you speak to your children/grandchildren in Italian?

D. Cultural heritage:

1. Where were you born?

If in Italy: How old were you when you came here? How long have you lived here?

If in Canada: Have you ever been to Italy? When? For how long?

2. Where did you go to school?

E. Parents:

1. Do your parents think of themselves as Italian, Canadian or Italian-Canadian?
2. Do/did your parents speak Italian? English? And your grandparents?
3. How old were your parents when they came to Canada? Your grandparents?

F. Partner:

1. Is your husband/wife/boyfriend/girlfriend Italian?
2. Does she/he think of her/himself as Italian, Canadian or Italian-Canadian?
3. Does she/he speak Italian? Do you speak Italian to her/him?

G. Italian culture:

1. Should Italian-Canadian kids learn Italian? Italian culture?
2. Would you rather live in an Italian neighbourhood?
3. Should Italians only marry other Italians?

H. Discrimination:

1. Have you ever had a problem getting a job because you're Italian?
2. What about renting an apartment or buying a house?
3. Were you treated differently by your teachers in school?
4. Have you ever been treated badly because you're Italian?
5. Is there a lot of discrimination against Italians?