

# THEY SPEAK ITALIAN

EPISODE 1 | THAT BRANCH OF THE COMO LAKE.



**COMO LAKE, ITALY.**

At the time when the events we are about to tell happened, Italy was no longer a happy place to spend the holidays and something very dark was shaking the pasta-eating population.



**YEAH BABY, SHE'S GOT IT.**

The boot-shaped peninsula was experiencing one of the deepest and darkest periods of economic, health and cultural decay.



**A KIND OF OUTRUN.**

The peasants ran away looking for new forms of livelihood as the grain was becoming severely scarce. Could you ever imagine Italy without soft wheat or durum wheat flour?



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EPISODE 2 | THE CARBOHYDRATE REGIME.



**NO BREAD, SORRY.**

A new political leadership after the recent elections had forced the Italians to reduce carbohydrates due to the wheat crisis, leading to serious nutritional imbalances in the population.



**AND NO PIZZA.**

The new diet had transformed the Italian population into living zombies, now desperate for bread, pasta and pizza. In supermarkets it was possible to find only substitutes for these products, made with very harmful chemicals.



**MIRACLES RUNNING OUT.**

The Vatican was able to cover only a fraction of the needs of the people who, in addition to some prayers and blessings, did not receive much in return.



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EPISODE 3 | YOUR LIFE FOR A BRUSCHETTA.



**A KILOGRAM AND FAREWELL.**

Depriving Italians of carbohydrates was one of the cruelest repressions in history. People began to lose their limbs, and even their eyes. They would drag their bleeding bodies to the baker in the neighborhood...  
...to kill him.



**MORE OREGANO, BABY?**

The dishes of the Italian homes were stained with red which, evidently, was no longer marinara sauce.  
In restaurants, the bill was paid only with the remaining organs.



**GHETTO SPAGHETTO.**

Pizza thieves and the illegal sale of lasagna were just some of the side effects of these misguided Italian law makers.  
The mafia clans grew day by day by selling flour products at the price of cocaine.



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EPISODE 4 | CIAO BELLA DONNA.



**A FRESH CAPRESE SALAD.**

Even the summer holidays had taken a much more dramatic turn from what we were used to. Instead of fighting for a seat under the front row umbrella, they were fighting for the lump of bread hidden in their swimsuit.



**BELLA DONNA ALLA BOLOGNESE.**

The basic instincts of course were still there but they ended up eating each other. The advantage was that people could taste other humans in different ways based on traditional regional recipes.



**NOT EDIBLE.**

But there was still another kind of appetite among people, the one for selfies and social media. You can't stop hunger.

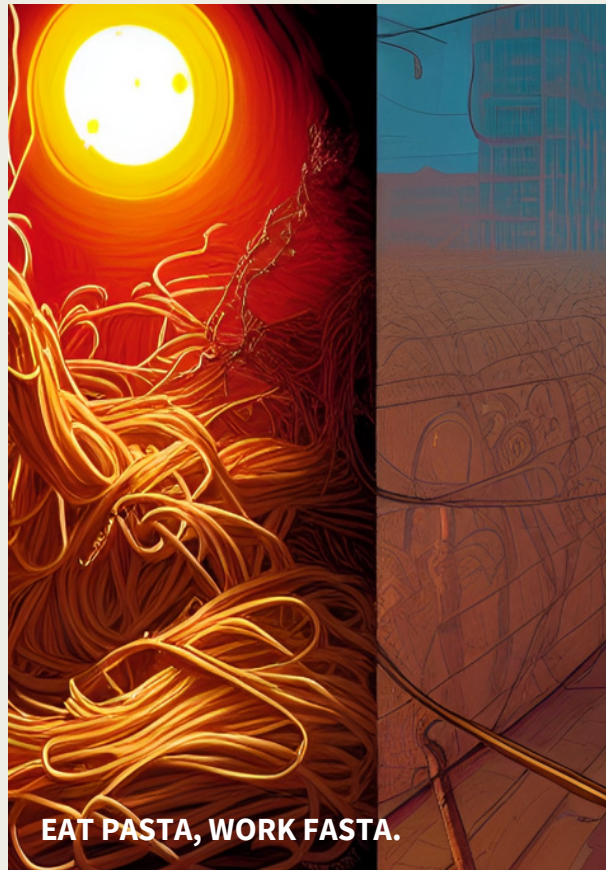
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EPISODE 5 | THE INFLUENZATI.



**#INSTAPEASANTS.**

New social media such as Instagram or Twheatter were created to share tutorials in order to grow wheat at home. At the head of all this was a very secret Order of influencers, the Influenzati.



**EAT PASTA, WORK FASTA.**

Slowly, even the most renowned pasta industries restarted their assembly lines, bringing the business back to its heyday. There were spaghetti for everyone.



**THIS IS NOT A CARBONARA.**

Finally, the Italians could return to live their daily lives, to sit on a comfortable sofa at home behind their smartphone and harshly criticize the incorrectly prepared recipes of food bloggers from all over the world.



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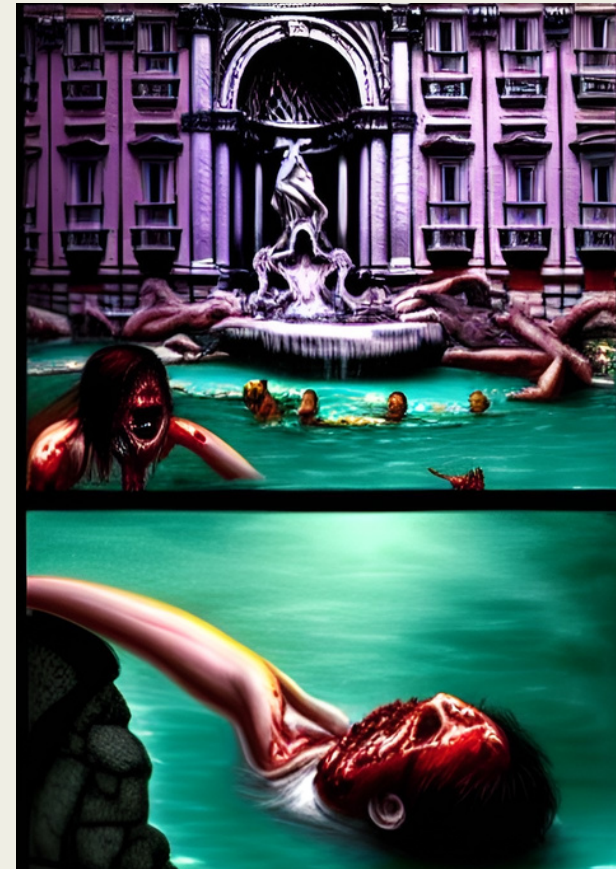
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