

UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI TRIESTE

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Lesson 6

CV, résumés

Writing / reading: Letters Summaries Articles

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Programme

Obiettivi

Il corso si propone di fornire agli studenti le seguenti competenze conoscitive e capacità:

- Preparazione per uno scambio verbale di idee con fluidezza e spontaneità, particolarmente nel campo della specializzazione professionistica.
- Capacità di comprensione delle idee principali di testi complessi su argomenti concreti o astratti, includendo discussioni tecniche del campo della specialità dell'alunno.
- Abilità per la produzione scritta di testi riguardanti il campo accademico, professionistico dell'ingegneria con chiarezza e minuziosità.

Objectives

English 259 aims to provide students with the following cognitive skills and abilities:

- Preparation for a verbal exchange of ideas with fluidity and spontaneity particularly in the field of professional specialization.
- Ability to understand the main ideas of complex texts on concrete or abstract topics, including technical discussions of the field of the student's specialty.
- Ability for the written creation of texts concerning the academic and professional field of engineering with clarity and meticulousness.

Curriculum Vitae

A standard document that gives details of your work experience, education, and background. It also gives your full name and contact details.

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- •Résumé
- •Resume
- •Curriculum Vitae
- •Vitae

•CV

RESUME	CV
Emphasizes skills	Emphasizes academic accomplishments
Used when applying for a position in industry, non-profit, and public sector	Used when applying for positions in academia, fellowships and grants
Is no longer than 2 pages, with an additional page for publications and / or poster presentations if highly relevant to the job	Length depends upon experience and includes a complete list of publications, posters, and presentations
After 1 year of industry experience, lead with work experience and place education section at or near the end, depending upon qualifications	Always begins with education and can include name of advisor and dissertation title or summary. Also used for merit/tenure review and sabbatical leave

In American usage, a CV is much more detailed, longer, and presented in a different format than a résumé.

People usually send a cover letter with their résumé or CV. You will find help with this type of letter in the part of this book on writing letters.

A résumé should be as short as possible without leaving out essential information. Job advertisements sometimes specify the maximum length of résumé that is acceptable, but in any case your résumé should rarely be longer than three pages, and if you can get everything important on one or two pages that is best. *HarperCollins. Writing (Collins Webster's Easy Learning). HarperCollins* The ideal CV must be:

- 1. Quick and easy to read
- 2. Clear and concise
- 3. Pleasant to look at

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CV defects to avoid (jobs.ac.uk):

- 1. Applying for a position for which you're not qualified.
- 2. Providing irrelevant personal information.
- 3. Burying important information.
- 4. Spelling errors, typos and poor grammar.
- 5. Unexplained gaps in employment.
- 6. Lying or misleading information.
- 7. A long, waffly CV.
- 8. Badly formatted CV.
- 9. Meaningless introductions.
- 10. The 'So What' test.

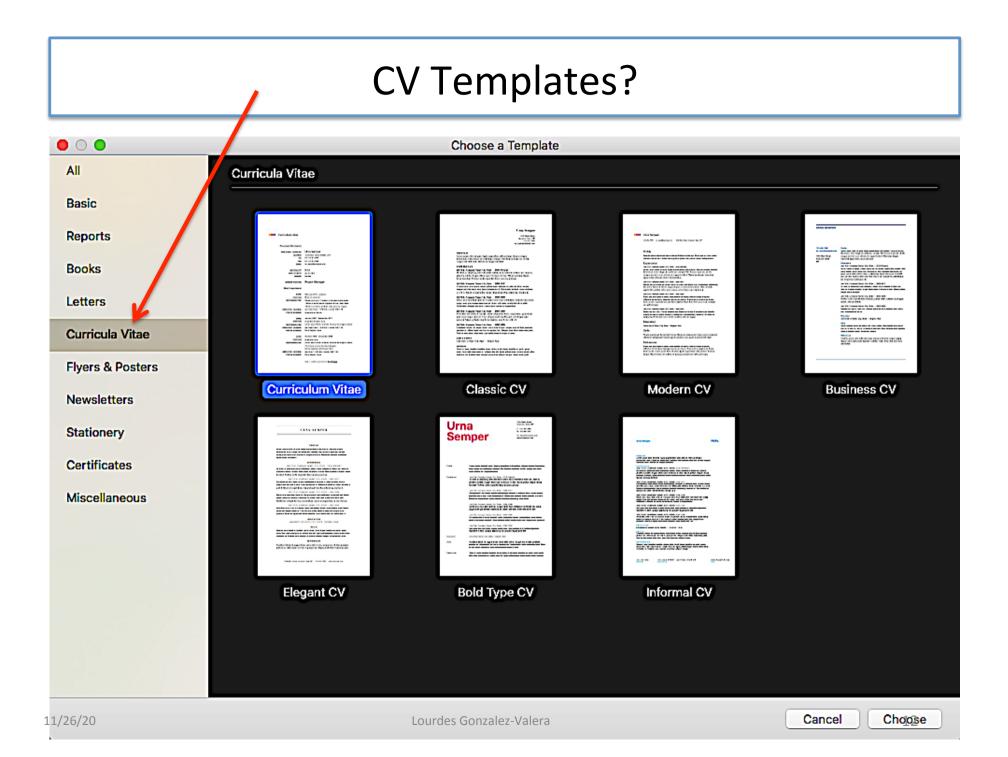
LYING or Misleading Information (jobs.ac.uk)

"Recruiters are not stupid. They can spot information that doesn't stack up. For example, they're always on the look out for inflated:

- Qualifications
- Salaries
- Job titles
- Achievements"

Does your CV or résumé pass the "so what" test?

https://careerattraction.com/resume-pass-test/





Personal	Information	١
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FIRST NAME / SURNAME	Urna Semper
ADDRESS	123 High Street, POSTCODE, CITY
TEL	01234 567 890
FAX	01234 567 890
EMAIL	no_reply@example.com
NATIONALITY	British
DATE OF BIRTH	25.10.1981
GENDER	Female
DESIRED POSITION	Project Manager
Work Experience	
DATES	February 2012 – present
POSITION	Etiam sit amet est
RESPONSIBILITIES	Donec quis nunc, Curabitur vulputate viverra pede
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Skills and Competences

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Sex Female | Date of birth 01 March 1975

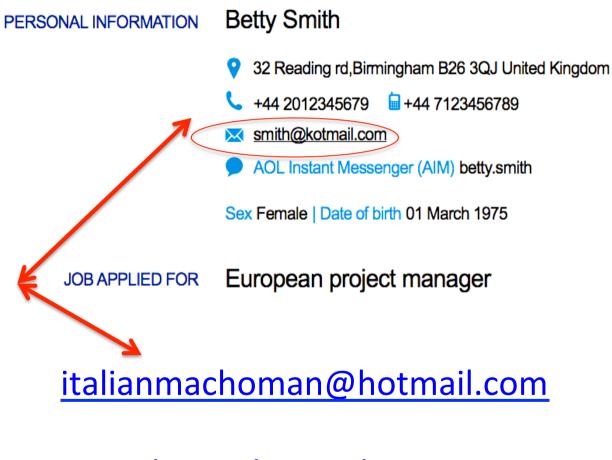
JOB APPLIED FOR European project manager

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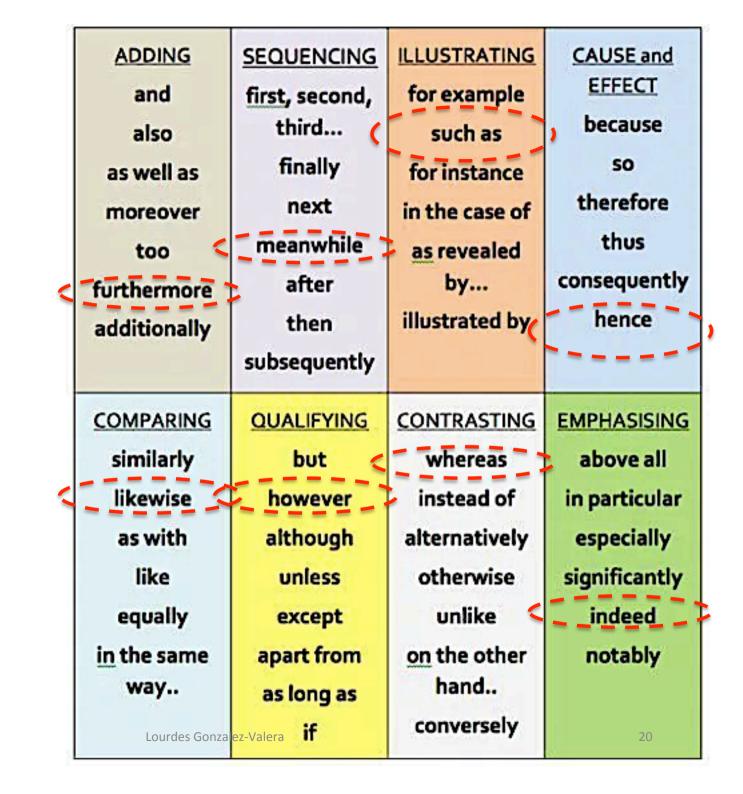


Reading / Writing

Reading is a complex cognitive process of decoding symbols to derive meaning. It is a form of language processing.

Success in this process is measured as *reading comprehension*.

Reading is a means for language acquisition, communication, and sharing information and ideas.



Connectors

or

Discourse markers Furthermore (adding):

People will download the app because it is fun, and furthermore, they will download the game because it is free.

Meanwhile (sequencing):

It will be a few minutes before the water boils, and meanwhile you can cut the potatoes.

Such as (illustrating):

Sarah has lots of good qualities, such as intelligence and wit.

Hence (cause and effect):

Your grammar is weak, hence the low mark I've given you.

Likewise (comparing):

• The US is sending its military into the Middle East to interfere in armed conflicts there, likewise the EU is sending arms and supplies as well.

• Sarah told Tom that she enjoyed their date, and he responded, "Likewise."

However (qualifying):

It's a good project. However, I don't think we have the money to fund it.

Whereas (contrasting):

Whereas I am a vegetarian, my whole family eats meat. / My whole family eats meat, whereas I'm a vegetarian.

Indeed (emphasising):

Two of the four new iPhones, the iPhone 12 and iPhone 12 Pro, were indeed released last month.

The Economist. September 1st-7th 2018



Exercise:

Analysis of the article in *Brain Scan* on Satoshi Nakamoto.

BRAIN SCAN Satoshi Nakamoto

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Colour legend of analysed text:

Yellow: New vocabulary

Green: the discourse markers that "glue together" the elements in a text.

Blue: Multiple adjectives + nouns phrases.

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- Still, the legions of sleuths have turned up various candidates, ranging from Japanese mathematicians to Irish graduate students. In 2014 Newsweek, a business magazine, fingered Dorian Prentice Satoshi Nakamoto, an American engineer. He emphatically denied the story, and the next day a forum account previously used by Mr. Nakamoto, posted, for the first time in five years, to say, "I am not Dorian Nakamoto" –though there are doubts about that account too.
- 4 Attention also focused on Hal Finney, an expert in cryptography, an experienced programmer and a dedicated cypherpunk. He was the recipient in the first-ever transaction conducted in bitcoin, with Mr Nakamoto as the sender. He died in 2014. Andy Greenberg, a journalist, who studied private emails between Mr Finney and Mr Nakamoto, concluded that he was probably not bitcoin's creator. And Mr Finney himself always denied that he was Mr Nakamoto.

Conversely, in 2016, Craig Wright, an Australian computer scientist, explicitly claimed that he was the man everyone was looking for. He invited several news organisations, including The Economist, to witness him prove his claim by using cryptographic keys that supposedly belonged to Mr Nakamoto. He did not convince his audience, **so** he said he would settle the matter by moving a bitcoin from Mr Nakamoto stash. He later decided against it when an online story suggested he could face arrest if he confirmed he was bitcoin's creator, on the ground of "enabling terrorism". **But** the story turned out to be a fake.

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According to another theory, Mr Nakamoto is actually a group of people. But for now his, or their identity, remains a mystery. Some think his withdrawal was a matter of principle, to underline the point of a decentralised currency. Perhaps he simply wants a quiet life.