

e-lesson

Week starting: 31st March 2003

1. The Story of My Life

On April 2nd, 1725, Giacomo Girolamo Casanova, the world's most famous lover (according to his own account of his life), came into this world. We mark the occasion with a 'Who am I?' text, with the answer hidden in a crossword. There are two pages to print. Click here to get your copies.

<http://www.insideout.net/warehouse/worksheets/mar/IO090S-casanova.pdf>

Level

Good Intermediate upwards

How to use the lesson

1. Tell your students they have three minutes to read through the worksheet to guess who they think the author is.
2. Give each student a copy of Worksheet A and three minutes in which to read it.
3. After three minutes stop your students. Ask students to call out their guesses. Write them up on the whiteboard but give no answers at this stage.
4. Give each student a copy of Worksheet B and tell them that by answering the questions they can find the name of the person. Divide the class into pairs and ask students to work together to answer the questions and write the answers in the grid.
5. Check answers in open class. If the questions have all been answered as below, the name *Giacomo Casanova* should read from top to bottom.

Answers

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| 1. Gaetano | 6. Mozart | 11. France |
| 2. Venice | 7. prison | 12. Henriette |
| 3. Zanetta | 8. scandal | 13. lottery |
| 4. Church | 9. <i>Iliad</i> | 14. violin |
| 5. actors | 10. freemason | 15. librarian |

2. Related Websites

Send your students to these websites, or just take a look yourself.

<http://www.krqe.com/Global/category.asp?C=35692>

A selection of tips for would-be romantics

<http://www.travlang.com/languages/iloveyou.html>

How to say those three little words (*I love you*) in lots of languages

<http://www.quadrivenice.com/inglese/casanova.htm>

A slightly more comprehensive account of Casanova's life