Italian Dinner Activity Pack

1 Dinner words to practice

Say each word aloud. The pronunciations are approximate.

Ciao chow	Hello / goodbye
Grazie GRAHT-see-eh	Thank you
Per favore pehr fah-VOH-reh	Please
Buon appetito bwohn ahp-peh-TEE-toh	Enjoy your meal
Buono! BWOH-noh	Tasty / good!

2 Dinner word detective

Write two words you want to use during your themed meal.

Word 1: _____

Word 2: _____

Try saying "Buon appetito" before the meal. Ask what art can teach us about food.

3 Who or what am I?

Match each name on the left to a clue on the right. Write the letter.

1. Leonardo da Vinci	_____	A. Used dramatic light and shadow
2. Michelangelo	_____	B. Painted the Mona Lisa
3. Caravaggio	_____	C. Famous ancient Roman amphitheater
4. Colosseum	_____	D. Painted the Sistine Chapel ceiling

4 Word-search adventure

Circle the six theme words. Every word reads left to right.

P I Z Z A R E P L I R
T O E C P I O R E T E
P A S T A T U S O I L
L N L L I N T R L O C
G E L A T O N I R S C
P A I P S T T R O S E
A R T I S T T T O I T
N A T S I U T S R R O
R O M E C R U C A P N
L E I S P C C T C P A
S H A D O W T P C C C

FIND:

PIZZA

PASTA

GELATO

ARTIST

ROME

SHADOW

5 Your five-day dinner adventure

Check each activity as you try it with your family.

- [ ] Mon: Design a Mona Pizza with a face made of toppings.
- [ ] Tue: Explore light and shadow; plan Sistine Pasta colors.
- [ ] Wed: Arrange a Shadowed Salad with dark and bright foods.
- [ ] Thu: Invent a Gelato Sculpture with three toppings.
- [ ] Fri: Plan an art-gallery dinner and display your creations.

6 Three quick questions

Write or tell a grown-up your answer.

1. Who painted the Mona Lisa?

_____

2. What makes a shadow?

_____

3. Which city has the Colosseum?

_____

7 Design your Mona Pizza

Draw a round pizza. Use toppings to create a portrait. Label three toppings.

ART STUDIO 1

8 Light and shadow experiment

Draw a simple object. Shade one side dark and add a light source.

ART STUDIO 2

9 Create your celebration menu

Pick dishes from the blog or invent your own inspired combinations.

Main dish: _____

Side dish: _____

Dessert: _____

Table decoration: _____

Parent / grown-up answer guide

Open-ended activities encourage creative thinking; there is no single right drawing.

Matching:

1-B: Leonardo da Vinci - Painted the Mona Lisa

2-D: Michelangelo - Painted the Sistine Chapel ceiling

3-A: Caravaggio - Used dramatic light and shadow

4-C: Colosseum - Famous ancient Roman amphitheater

Quick questions:

1. Leonardo da Vinci
2. Light being blocked
3. Rome

Word search: words appear across rows 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.