



What or "Che" vs Which or "Quale"

This is actually a very simple lesson. It's just a matter of what vs which and deciding to use the most appropriate word. These are known as interrogative adjectives.

Quale (Italian for which) like it's English equivalent implies a choice
There are only three forms to **Quale** (to agree in number and accommodate for words beginning with a vowel, it is invariable in regards to gender) The three forms are:

Quale - Singular
Quali - Plural
Qual - used before è

Gli esempi (examples);

Quale piatto è il tuo? - (Which plate is yours?)
Quali lezioni hai capito? - (Which lessons do you understand?)
Qual è il libro più interessante da leggere? - (Which is the most interesting book to read?)

Che (Italian for what) on the other hand when used as an interrogative adjective is simply asking you (or the person being questioned) for more information on something like a title, type or description. In can in some cases actually take the place of the English "what kind". **Che** is totally invariable and thus remains "che" regardless of gender or number.

Gli esempi (examples);

Che canzone è? - (What song is it?)
Che maglietta hai comprato? - (What shirt did you buy?)

Another use of **che** (Italian for what) is as part of an exclamation and can infer "a" after the what.

Gli esempi (examples);

Che belle donne! - (What beautiful women!)
Che grande idea! - (What a great idea!)