

News!

1. Listen to the recording. The accent you'll hear is Abby from the North of England. Really try and focus and concentrate on what you are listening to. Don't panic if you can't understand every word. Try and see if you can understand the general idea. Feel free to take notes and then after you've heard it once, tell me about what you have heard.

2. Now listen again for more specific details and be ready to answer questions about what you have heard.

- a. What did Giuseppe do?
- b. Where is he from?
- c. How old was he when he graduated?
- d. What class of degree was he awarded?
- e. What did he study?
- f. Which university did he attend?
- g. What did Giuseppe say about graduating?
- h. Why didn't he go to university before?
- i. What year did he enrol?
- j. Who asked him, "why all this trouble at your age?"
- k. Why was it important for Giuseppe to do this?
- l. Vocabulary – now let's look at some of the vocabulary:
 - graduate
 - awarded
 - entire
 - poverty
 - enrolled
 - fulfilling
 - regardless

Recording No. 4 – Abby – British, Northern:

Giuseppe Paternò has become Italy's oldest graduate at the age of 96 after being awarded first-class honours in philosophy from the University of Palermo in Sicily. "It's one of the happiest days of my entire life," said Paternò on graduating.

Prevented from going to university when younger by poverty and war, he finally enrolled in 2017. "Neighbours used to ask, 'why all this trouble at your age?'. They couldn't understand the importance of fulfilling a dream, regardless of my age," says Paternò.