



## Korean Ladder Study Note

# 직진하세요 / 돌아가세요 / 건너세요

## Understanding Simple Direction Commands

| Level                    | Topic                                | Focus                                                           |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| A1 · Beginner<br>TOPIK 1 | Conversation<br>Directions & Transit | 직진하세요 / 돌아가세요 / 건너세요<br>Understanding Simple Direction Commands |

## Study Links

Open this lesson on Korean Ladder

<https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-005>

Watch the full video on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5lpyHEvhutI>

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## Core Idea

Real question. If someone says 직진하세요 or 건너세요, I freeze. Am I supposed to walk, turn, cross, or just smile and panic?

좋은 질문이에요. 길 안내는 빠르게 들어서, 동사 하나를 바로 행동으로 연결해야 해요. In English, you need to hear the motion word and move.

오늘의 핵심은 세 가지예요. 직진하세요, 돌아가세요, 건너세요. These are polite commands for directions.

패턴 이름은 동작 동사 플러스 하세요예요. In English, think: please do this movement.

## Conversation Snapshot

| Speaker | Korean                  | Meaning                                 |
|---------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Hana    | 실례합니다. 지하철역이 어디예요?<br>— | Excuse me. Where is the subway station? |
| Junho   | 여기서 직진하세요.<br>—         | Please go straight from here.           |



| Speaker | Korean                    | Meaning                                    |
|---------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Hana    | 그리고요?<br>—                | And then?                                  |
| Junho   | 횡단보도를 건너세요.<br>—          | Please cross the crosswalk.                |
| Hana    | 건넌 다음에는요?<br>—            | After I cross?                             |
| Junho   | 오른쪽으로 돌아가세요. 역이 보여요.<br>— | Turn to the right. You'll see the station. |

## Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

| Word                                                                      | Meaning                                                       | Example                                                                                                                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 직진하세요 /<br>돌아가세요 / 건너세요<br>jikjin-haseyo /<br>doragaseyo /<br>geonneoseyo | Please go straight / please turn<br>or go back / please cross | 오늘의 핵심은 세 가지예요. 직진하세요,<br>돌아가세요, 건너세요. These are polite<br>commands for directions.                                                       |
| 동작 + 하세요<br>dongjak + haseyo                                              | movement + please do it                                       | 패턴 이름은 동작 동사 플러스 하세요예요. In<br>English, think: please do this movement.                                                                    |
| -하세요<br>-haseyo                                                           | please do; please go                                          | 하세요는 polite, everyday Korean. It is not<br>too casual, and not stiff. Good for<br>strangers, staff, and navigation-style<br>instructions. |
| 직진하세요<br>jikjin-haseyo                                                    | Please go straight.                                           | 첫 번째, 직진하세요. 직진은 straight<br>movement. 직진하세요 means please go<br>straight.                                                                 |
| 이 길로 직진하세요<br>i gil-lo jikjin-haseyo                                      | Please go straight on this road.                              | 예문이에요. 이 길로 직진하세요. In English,<br>go straight on this road or along this way.                                                             |
| 앞으로 쭉 가세요<br>apeuro jjuk gaseyo                                           | Please keep going forward.                                    | 맞아요. 앞으로 쭉 가는 느낌이에요. In English,<br>it feels like continue straight ahead.                                                                |
| 돌아가세요<br>doragaseyo                                                       | Please go back; please turn<br>around; please go around.      | 두 번째, 돌아가세요. This one needs<br>context. It can mean go back, return, turn<br>around, or go around, depending on the<br>place.             |
| 다시 역으로 돌아가세요<br>dasi yeogeuro<br>doragaseyo                               | Please go back to the station<br>again.                       | 예를 들어, 다시 역으로 돌아가세요 means go<br>back to the station again.                                                                                |



## Grammar / Structure Notes

### 직진하세요 / 돌아가세요 / 건너세요

직진하세요 / 돌아가세요 / 건너세요 — Please go straight / please turn or go back / please cross

-세요 makes the command polite.

### 동작 + 하세요

동작 + 하세요 — movement + please do it

Used for polite instructions.

### -하세요

-하세요 — please do; please go

A polite command ending.

### 직진하세요

직진 + 하세요 — Please go straight.

첫 번째, 직진하세요. 직진은 straight movement. 직진하세요 means please go straight.

### 이 길로 직진하세요

이 + 길 + 로 + 직진 + 하세요 — Please go straight on this road.

예문이에요. 이 길로 직진하세요. In English, go straight on this road or along this way.

## Pronunciation Loop

| Phrase | How to practice |
|--------|-----------------|
| 직진하세요  | jikjin-haseyo   |
| 건너세요   | geonneoseyo     |
| 돌아가세요  | doragaseyo      |

## Self-Check

- 1 Say 직진하세요 / 돌아가세요 / 건너세요 three times: slow, natural, then inside a short sentence.
- 2 Write one original sentence that was not in the video.
- 3 Rewatch the YouTube lesson and pause when the same pattern appears.

## Related / Subsequent Studies



| Lesson                                                       | Why study it next                                                                            | Link                                                                                                                                                         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 다음이요 / 여기서 내려 주세요<br>Telling the Driver Where<br>You Get Off | A1 Conversation: compare 다음이요 / 여기서 내려 주세요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer. | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-006">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-006</a> |
| 몇 번 출구로 나가요<br>Finding the Right Subway<br>Exit              | A1 Conversation: compare 몇 번 출구로 나가요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.       | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-003">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-003</a> |
| 여기서 어떻게 가요<br>Asking How to Get<br>Somewhere                 | A1 Conversation: compare 여기서 어떻게 가요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.        | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-001">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-001</a> |
| 은행이 어디 있어요<br>Asking Where a Place Is                        | A1 Conversation: compare 은행이 어디 있어요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.        | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-004">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-004</a> |

## My Notes

Your ladder to fluent Korean. This PDF, the website, and the video lessons are free for personal study.