



Korean Ladder Study Note

이쪽이요 / 저쪽이요 / 바로 앞이요

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Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Conversation Directions & Transit	이쪽이요 / 저쪽이요 / 바로 앞이요 이쪽이요 / 저쪽이요 / 바로 앞이요

Study Links

Open this lesson on Korean Ladder

<https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-007>

Watch the full video on YouTube

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

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Core Idea

Here's my real problem. If someone asks where the bus stop is, I freeze. Do I need a full sentence like, it is over there?

좋은 질문이에요. In Korean, short pointing phrases are very natural, especially with a gesture.

You can say 이쪽이요, 저쪽이요, or 바로 앞이요. They sound simple, polite, and useful.

So I don't have to build a whole sentence every time. I can point and say 이쪽이요.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	화장실 어디예요? —	Where is the restroom?
Junho	저쪽이요. —	That way.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	저쪽이요? —	That way?
Junho	네, 저쪽이요. —	Yes, that way.
Hana	저쪽이요? —	That way?
Junho	네, 저쪽이요. —	Yes, that way.
Junho	약국이 어디예요? —	Where is the pharmacy?
Hana	바로 앞이요. —	Right in front.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
이쪽이요 · 저쪽이요 · 바로 앞이요 ijjogiyo · jeojjogiyo · baro apiyo	This way · that way · right in front	You can say 이쪽이요, 저쪽이요, or 바로 앞이요. They sound simple, polite, and useful.
이쪽이요 ijjogiyo	This way, please. This side.	So I don't have to build a whole sentence every time. I can point and say 이쪽이요.
장소 말 + 이요 jangso mal + iyo	location word + polite ending	맞아요. Today's pattern is location word plus 이요. It turns a small location word into a polite answer.
이요 iyo	polite response ending	이요 is like a soft polite ending here. It is not a full sentence, but it works as a polite response.
저쪽이요 jeojjogiyo	That way. Over there.	Now listen. 저쪽이요. In English, that way, or over there.
바로 앞이요 baro apiyo	Right in front.	Third one. 바로 앞이요. In English, right in front.
말 + 제스처 mal + jeseucheo	words + gesture	완벽해요. And remember, these phrases often come with pointing, nodding, or looking in that direction.
짧게 말해도 자연스러워요 jjalpge malhaedo jayeonseureowoyo	Even if you say it briefly, it sounds natural	In English you may expect a subject and verb. In Korean directions, the situation can supply that missing part.



Grammar / Structure Notes

이쪽이요 · 저쪽이요 · 바로 앞이요

이쪽이요 · 저쪽이요 · 바로 앞이요 — This way · that way · right in front

Short polite direction phrases

이쪽이요

이쪽이요 — This way, please. This side.

Use when the direction is near you or toward you

장소 말 + 이요

장소 말 + 이요 — location word + polite ending

A short, polite answer

이요

이요 — polite response ending

Attach after many noun-like direction words

이쪽이요

이쪽 + 이요 — This way.

First one. 이쪽이요. In English, this means this way, or this side.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
이쪽이요	ijjogiyo
저쪽이요	jeojjogiyo
바로 아피요	baro apiyo
아피요	apiyo

Self-Check

- 1 Say 이쪽이요 / 저쪽이요 / 바로 앞이요 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 Telling the Driver Where You Get Off	A1 Conversation: compare 다음이요 / 여기서 내려 주세요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-006
몇 번 출구로 나가요 Finding the Right Subway Exit	A1 Conversation: compare 몇 번 출구로 나가요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-003
여기서 어떻게 가요 Asking How to Get Somewhere	A1 Conversation: compare 여기서 어떻게 가요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-001
은행이 어디 있어요 Asking Where a Place Is	A1 Conversation: compare 은행이 어디 있어요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-DIR-004

My Notes

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