



## Korean Ladder Study Note

# 이거 어디에 있어요

## Finding an Item in a Store

| Level                    | Topic                    | Focus                                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| A1 · Beginner<br>TOPIK 1 | Conversation<br>Shopping | 이거 어디에 있어요<br>Finding an Item in a Store |

## Study Links

Open this lesson on Korean Ladder

<https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-016>

Watch the full video on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5BNgr29pq8>

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## Core Idea

I have a picture of the tissues I want, but I don't know the Korean name. Can I ask where they are without naming them?

네, 사진을 보여 주면 돼요. Yes. Show the picture and say 이거, meaning this item.

So 이거 can stand for the item in my picture. I don't have to hold the actual product.

오늘의 표현은 이거 어디에 있어요?예요. Our question is 이거 어디에 있어요? It means, Where is this item?

## Conversation Snapshot

| Speaker | Korean                | Meaning                              |
|---------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Hana    | 저기요. 이거 어디에 있어요?<br>— | Excuse me. Where is this item?       |
| Junho   | 생활용품 코너에 있어요.<br>—    | It's in the household goods section. |



| Speaker | Korean             | Meaning                      |
|---------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Hana    | 생활용품 코너요?<br>—     | The household goods section? |
| Junho   | 네, 맞아요.<br>—       | Yes, that's right.           |
| Hana    | 이거 지금 재고 있어요?<br>— | Is this item in stock now?   |
| Junho   | 네, 있어요.<br>—       | Yes, it is.                  |
| Hana    | 감사합니다.<br>—        | Thank you.                   |

## Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

| Word         | Meaning                  | Example                                                                                                   |
|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 이거<br>igeo   | this; this item          | 네, 사진을 보여 주면 돼요. Yes. Show the picture and say 이거, meaning this item.                                     |
| 휴지<br>hyuji  | tissues, in this picture | 사진 속 물건은 휴지예요. The item in the picture is tissues. Here, we can call them 휴지.                             |
| 코너<br>koneo  | section, in a store      | I heard 코너. Is that the section, rather than a literal corner of the building?                            |
| 생활용품 코너<br>— | household goods section  | 맞아요. 여기서 코너는 매장의 한 구역이에요. Right. In a store, 코너 means a section. 생활용품 코너 is the household goods section.  |
| 위치 / 재고<br>— | Location / Stock         | So a shelf location isn't a promise that my exact item is available. I can ask a separate stock question. |



## Grammar / Structure Notes

### 이거

이거 — this; this item

Point to an item or show its picture.

### 이거

이거 — this item

Make it clear which item you mean.

### 이거 어디에 있어요?

이거 어디에 있어요? — Where is this item?

Use this while showing the item or a picture.

### 이거 어디에 있어요?

이거 + 어디 + 에 + 있어요? — Where is this item?

어디에 means where, and 있어요 asks about being there. Together, 어디에 있어요? asks where something is located.

### 저기요.

저기요. — Excuse me.

Get a staff member's attention before asking.

## Pronunciation Loop

| Phrase        | How to practice                                                  |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 이거 어디에 있어요?   | igeo eodie isseoyo?                                              |
| 이거 어디에 있어?    | This is casual speech. Use the practiced polite form with staff. |
| 생활용품 코너요?     | saenghwaryongpum koneoyo?                                        |
| 이거 지금 재고 있어요? | igeo jigeum jaego isseoyo?                                       |

## Self-Check

- 1 Say 이거 어디에 있어요 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                                                                                                                                                         |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 그냥 구경할게요 / 생각해 볼게요<br>Browsing Without Buying | A1 Conversation: compare 그냥 구경할게요 / 생각해 볼게요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer. | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-007">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-007</a> |
| 세일해요<br>Asking About Sales and Discounts      | A1 Conversation: compare 세일해요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.               | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-004">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-004</a> |
| 시식은 괜찮아요<br>Declining Free Samples Politely   | A1 Conversation: compare 시식은 괜찮아요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.           | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-009">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-009</a> |
| 시식해도 돼요<br>Asking for Samples and Taste Tests | A1 Conversation: compare 시식해도 돼요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.            | Open lesson<br><a href="https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-006">https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-CONV-SHP-006</a> |

## My Notes

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