



Korean Ladder Study Note

그리고 / 그래서 / 그런데

Connecting Two Sentences with Conjunctions

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Grammar Connectors	그리고 / 그래서 / 그런데 Connecting Two Sentences with Conjunctions

Study Links

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Core Idea

Okay, real problem. In English I say and for almost everything — and, so, but. In Korean, can I just keep saying 그리고?

그게 흔한 실수예요. That's a common mistake. 그리고 means and — but Korean also needs so and but.

오늘 핵심은 이 세 단어예요. 그리고, 그래서, 그런데. In English, and, so, and but — or by the way.

중요해요. These words start a new sentence. They connect idea one, then idea two — not verb endings inside one clause.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	배가 고파요. 그래서 빵을 시킬까요? —	I'm hungry. So shall we order bread?
Junho	좋아요. 그리고 커피도 마실래요. —	Sounds good. And I want coffee too.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	그런데 우산이 없어요. 비 오면 어떻게 해요? —	But I don't have an umbrella. What if it rains?
Junho	괜찮아요. 제 우산이 있어요. —	It's fine. I have an umbrella.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
그리고 / 그래서 / 그런데 geurigo / geuraeseo / geureonde	and / so / but (or by the way)	오늘 핵심은 이 세 단어예요. 그리고, 그래서, 그런데. In English, and, so, and but — or by the way.
그리고 geurigo	and / and also	먼저 그리고예요. 정보를 하나 더 더할 때 써요. In English, and — or and also.
그리고 = + geurigo	add one more fact	들리시죠? Two facts side by side. No reason. No surprise. Just plus.
그래서 geuraeseo	so / therefore	다음은 그래서예요. 결과가 올 때 써요. In English, so — or therefore.
이유 → 그래서 → 결과 iyu → geuraeseo → gyeolgwa	reason → so → result	첫 문장이 이유고, 둘째가 결과예요. Reason, then result. That's 그래서.
그런데 geureonde	but / by the way	마지막은 그런데예요. 대비하거나 화제를 바꿀 때 써요. In English, but — or by the way.
그런데 = but / by the way geureonde	contrast or topic shift	그런데는 두 가지 일이 있어요. One: but. Two: a soft turn — like, wait, one more thing.
그래서 → 그리고 → 그런데 geuraeseo → geurigo → geureonde	result → add-on → turn	들으셨죠? 그래서 for the result, 그리고 for the extra order, 그런데 for the worry turn.



Grammar / Structure Notes

그리고 / 그래서 / 그런데

그리고 / 그래서 / 그런데 — and / so / but (or by the way)

Sentence-starting glue for whole sentences

문장. 그리고/그래서/그런데 문장.

문장. 그리고/그래서/그런데 문장. — Sentence. And/so/but sentence.

Beginner glue before -아서 / -지만

그리고

그리고 — and / and also

Adds another fact; no cause, no contrast

커피를 마셔요. 그리고 빵도 먹어요.

커피 + 를 + 마셔요 + . + 그리고 + 빵 + 도 + 먹어요 + . — I drink coffee. And I also eat bread.

예를 들어 볼게요. 커피를 마셔요. 그리고 빵도 먹어요. I drink coffee. And I also eat bread.

그리고 = +

그리고 = + — add one more fact

Think 'and also,' not 'and so'

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
배가 고파요. 그래서 밥을 먹어요.	bae-ga gopayo. geuraeseo bap-eul meogeoyo.
비가 와요. 그런데 우산이 없어요.	bi-ga wayo. geureonde usan-i eopseoyo.

Self-Check

- 1 Say 그리고 / 그래서 / 그런데 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
그래도 / 하지만 Two More Ways to Say 'But' Between Sentences	A1 Grammar: compare 그래도 / 하지만 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-GRAM-CON-002
아니면 / 또는 Saying 'Or' Between Choices	A1 Grammar: compare 아니면 / 또는 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-GRAM-CON-003
-(으)ㄴ / 는 탓에 / 덕분에 / 바람에 Assigning Blame, Credit, and Cause	C1 Grammar: compare -(으)ㄴ / 는 탓에 / 덕분에 / 바람에 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-C1-GRAM-CON-002
-(으)ㄴ수록 The More X, the More Y	B2 Grammar: compare -(으)ㄴ수록 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B2-GRAM-CON-001

My Notes

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