



Korean Ladder Study Note

사랑 / 공 / 방

Final ㅇ Without an English 'g' Kick

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Pronunciation Batchim	사랑 / 공 / 방 Final ㅇ Without an English 'g' Kick

Study Links

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

Watch the full video on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_FQy6CksM7I

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Core Idea

Here is my problem. I see 사랑, and my English brain wants to add a tiny hard g at the end.

맞아요. English speakers often add a little g release. But in Korean, final 이응 is nasal and smooth.

Think of the end of English sing, if you stop before releasing a clear g. Korean 받침 이응 stays in that nasal place.

오늘의 패턴은 받침 이응이에요. In English, that means the final consonant ㅇ at the bottom of a syllable block.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Junho	공 어디 있어요? —	Where is the ball?
Hana	방에 있어요. —	It is in the room.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Junho	아, 방에 있어요? —	Ah, it is in the room?
Hana	네, 방에 있어요. —	Yes, it is in the room.
Junho	공 어디 있어요? —	Where is the ball?
Hana	방에 있어요. —	It is in the room.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
받침 ㅇ batchim ㅇ	final ㅇ at the bottom of a syllable	오늘의 패턴은 받침 이응이에요. In English, that means the final consonant ㅇ at the bottom of a syllable block.
ㅇ: 처음에는 소리 없음, 받침에서는 콧소리 ieung: cheoeum-eneun sori eopseum, batchim-eseoneun kotsori	ㅇ is silent at the start, nasal as batchim	Important contrast. At the beginning of a syllable, 이응 is silent. At the bottom, 이응 sounds nasal.
아 / 앙 a / ang	start ㅇ is silent; final ㅇ is nasal	So ㅇ at the start is like a placeholder, but final ㅇ is the nose sound.
사랑 sarang	Final ㅇ Without an English 'g' Kick	First native example. 사랑. It means love. Listen to the ending: 사랑.
공 gong	Final ㅇ Without an English 'g' Kick	Next word. 공. It means ball, or zero in some contexts. 공.
방 bang	Final ㅇ Without an English 'g' Kick	Third word. 방. It means room. 방.
사랑 · 공 · 방 sarang · gong · bang	Final ㅇ Without an English 'g' Kick	Let me try. 사랑. 공. 방.
랑 rang	the final syllable in 사랑	The second syllable, 랑, closes in the nose. You do not add 그 after it.



Grammar / Structure Notes

받침 ○

받침 ○ — final ○ at the bottom of a syllable

Pronounced as a nasal ending, like ng without a hard g release.

○: 처음에는 소리 없음, 받침에서는 콧소리

○: 처음에는 소리 없음, 받침에서는 콧소리 — ○ is silent at the start, nasal as batchim

Same written letter, different job by position.

아 / 앙

아 / 앙 — start ○ is silent; final ○ is nasal

Do not pronounce a hard English g.

사랑

사 + 랑 — love

Let's unpack the first word. 사랑 has two syllables: 사 and 랑. The final 이응 is inside 랑.

랑

랑 — the final syllable in 사랑

The second syllable, 랑, closes in the nose. You do not add 그 after it.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
사랑	sarang
공	gong
방	bang
사랑 · 공 · 방	sarang · gong · bang
앙	ang
방에	bang-e
저는 방에 있어요	jeo-neun bang-e isseoyo
방에 있어요	bang-e isseoyo

Self-Check

1 Say 사랑 / 공 / 방 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
가 Hearing Whether a Syllable Ends in a Batchim	A1 Pronunciation: compare 가 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-BAT-003
받침 Final Consonants Made Simple	A1 Pronunciation: compare 받침 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-BAT-001
받침은 A Beginner's Map of the 7 Final Sounds	A1 Pronunciation: compare 받침은 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-BAT-002
있어요 / 없어요 Hearing and Saying the ㅁ Batchim	A1 Pronunciation: compare 있어요 / 없어요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-BAT-004

My Notes

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