



Korean Ladder Study Note

옷·낮·빛 다음 자음 앞에서

How Batchim Simplifies Before Another Consonant

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Pronunciation Batchim	옷·낮·빛 다음 자음 앞에서 How Batchim Simplifies Before Another Consonant

Study Links

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<https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-BAT-009>

Watch the full video on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=la2LlrqJUoY>

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Core Idea

Here's my problem. I see 옷도, 낮잠, and 빛 갇아요, and I want to pronounce every written consonant clearly.

맞아요. Korean spelling can show many final letters, but pronunciation is simpler at the end of a syllable.

Today's key is this. When a batchim is followed by another consonant, do not carry the final consonant forward.

So 옷이 can link, but 옷도 does not move the 시 sound forward.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	옷도 따뜻해요? —	Are the clothes warm too?
Junho	네, 따뜻해요. 낮잠 자요? —	Yes, they're warm. Are you taking a nap?



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	네, 조금 자요. —	Yes, I'm sleeping a little.
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Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
받침 + 자음 batchim + ja-eum	final consonant plus another consonant	네. Today's pattern is 받침 plus 자음. First, the batchim closes as one of seven representative final sounds.
ㄱ ㄴ ㄷ ㄹ ㅁ ㅂ ㅇ g, n, d, r/l, m, b, ng	the seven possible batchim sounds	The seven representative final sounds are 기억, 니은, 디글, 리을, 미음, 비읍, and 이응.
ㅅ · ㅈ · ㅊ → ㄷ s, j, ch → t	these simplify to final ㄷ before a consonant	For this lesson, watch ㅅ, ㅈ, and ㅊ. Before another consonant, they sound like 디글, a final ㄷ sound.
옷 낮 빗 ot, nat, bit	all close with final ㄷ before another consonant	So the spelling changes in my head, but my mouth closes the same way.
옷도 [올또] ot-do [ot-tto]	How Batchim Simplifies Before Another Consonant	Listen first. 옷도 sounds like 올또.
옷도 따뜻해요 ot-do ttatteuthae-yo	The clothes are warm too.	옷도 따뜻해요. In English, the clothes are warm too.
낮잠 [날잠] nat-jam [nat-jjam]	How Batchim Simplifies Before Another Consonant	Now listen to 낮잠. It sounds like 날잠.
낮잠자요 nat-jam ja-yo	I take a nap.	낮잠 자요. In English, I take a nap.



Grammar / Structure Notes

받침 + 자음

받침 + 자음 — final consonant plus another consonant

Close the batchim first.

ㄱ ㄴ ㄷ ㄹ ㅁ ㅂ ㅇ

ㄱ ㄴ ㄷ ㄹ ㅁ ㅂ ㅇ — the seven possible batchim sounds

These are sounds, not always the written letters.

ㅅ · ㅆ · ㅈ → ㄷ

ㅅ · ㅆ · ㅈ → ㄷ — these simplify to final ㄷ before a consonant

Examples: 옷, 낮, 빛

옷 낮 빛

옷 낮 빛 — all close with final ㄷ before another consonant

No extra vowel after the final sound.

옷도 따뜻해요

옷 + 도 + 따뜻 + 해요 — The clothes are warm too.

옷도 따뜻해요. In English, the clothes are warm too.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
옷도	ot-do [ot-tto]
낮잠	nat-jam [nat-jjam]
빛 갇아요	bit gap-a-yo [bit kka-pa-yo]
옷	final t sound

Self-Check

- 1 Say 옷 · 낮 · 빛 다음 자음 앞에서 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
달 · 단 · 담 Minimal Pairs for ㄹ, ㄴ, and ㅁ Finals	A1 Pronunciation: compare 달 · 단 · 담 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-BAT-008
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

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