



Korean Ladder Study Note

받침 ㅈ

낮과 낮을 소리로 구별하기

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Pronunciation Batchim	받침 ㅈ 낮과 낮을 소리로 구별하기

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Core Idea

Okay, confession. My Korean friend said the word for daytime, and then the word for face. They sounded exactly the same to me. Am I going crazy?

아니예요, 제대로 들으신 거예요. 낮하고 낮을 따로 발음하면 소리가 똑같아요. No, you heard it right. Said on their own, the two words sound the same.

Then how do Koreans know which one you mean?

좋은 질문이에요. 뒤에 뭐가 오는지가 중요해요. Good question. What comes after the word is the key.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	오늘 낮에 공원에서 낮이 익은 사람을 봤어요. —	Today in the daytime, I saw someone familiar at the park.
Junho	낮이 익은 사람이에요? 누구였어요? —	Someone familiar? Who was it?



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Hana	옆집 사람이에요. 그런데 제가 낯을 좀 가려서 인사를 못 했어요. —	My neighbor. But I'm a little shy, so I didn't say hello.
Junho	괜찮아요. 내일도 빛이 좋으면 또 만날 수 있을 거예요. —	That's okay. If the light is nice tomorrow too, you might meet again.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
받침 ㅈ, ㅊ → [ㄷ] -t	Before a pause or a consonant, ㅈ and ㅊ both sound like a stopped [t]	받침 지읒과 치읒은 말이 끝나거나 자음 앞에 오면 디글 소리가 돼요. When 지읒 or 치읒 sits at the bottom, before a pause or a consonant, both sound like a stopped t.
받침 ㅈ, ㅊ + 모음 조사·어미 → [ㅈ], [ㅊ] —	Before a vowel particle or ending (이, 을, 예, 이에요), the real sound returns	그런데 모음으로 시작하는 조사나 어미, 예를 들면 이, 을, 예, 이에요 앞에서는 원래 소리가 살아나요. But before a particle or ending that starts with a vowel, like 이, 을, 예, or 이에요, the real sound comes back.
낯 · 낯 nat · nat	낯과 낯을 소리로 구별하기	먼저 단어만 따로 발음할 때예요. 낯. 낯. 둘 다 낯으로 발음해요. First, the words said alone. Both sound like 낯.
빛 · 빛 bit · mit	낯과 낯을 소리로 구별하기	빛하고 빛도 마찬가지로예요. 끝이 디글 소리로 나요. 빛, 밋. 빛 means light, and 밋 means 'and also'. They follow the same rule.
낮에 naje	in the daytime [나제]	이제 조사를 붙여 볼게요. 낮에. 이걸 나제라고 발음해요. Now we add a particle. 낮에 means 'in the daytime', and it sounds like 나제.
낯이 익어요 nachi igeoyo	You look familiar. [나치 이거요]	그리고 낯이 익어요. 나치 이거요. 'You look familiar.' Here you hear 치읒, with a strong puff of air.
빛이 참 좋아요 bichi cham joayo	The light is really nice. [비치 참 조아요]	빛이 참 좋아요. 비치 참 조아요. The light is really nice.
빛이 bichi	낯과 낯을 소리로 구별하기	들으셨어요? 비치. 치읒 소리가 세게 나와요. Did you hear it? A strong puff of air on 치.



Grammar / Structure Notes

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낮 [낫] · 낮 [낫] · 낮과 [낫꽈]

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받침 ㅈ, ㅊ + 모음 조사·어미 → [ㅈ], [ㅊ] — Listen to the particle to hear the difference

낮이 [나지] · 낮이 [나치]

낮에

낮 + 에 — in the daytime [나제]

이제 조사를 붙여 볼게요. 낮에. 이걸 나제라고 발음해요. Now we add a particle. 낮에 means 'in the daytime', and it sounds like 나제.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
[낫]	nat · nat
[빔] · [밈]	bit · mit
[비치]	bichi
낮을 · 낮을	najeul · nacheul
[나즐] · [나출]	najeul · nacheul
낮이	nachi
[나치]	nachi
[밈]	mit

Self-Check



- 1 Say 받침 ㅈ 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
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