



Korean Ladder Study Note

알겠어요를 자신 있게

Affirmative Pitch That Doesn't Trail Off

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Pronunciation Intonation	알겠어요를 자신 있게 Affirmative Pitch That Doesn't Trail Off

Study Links

Open this lesson on Korean Ladder

<https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-INT-010>

Watch the full video on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h2c8ChzXHD4>

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Core Idea

When I say 네, 알겠어요, should my voice go up at the end? Sometimes I worry that I sound unsure.

문맥에 맞는 억양을 쓰면 이해했다는 뜻이 더 또렷하게 들려요. With intonation that fits the context, your meaning, “I understand,” sounds clearer.

오늘의 핵심은 네와 알겠어요예요. They are useful short responses when you understand what someone has told you.

평서문이나 상대방의 말을 이해했다는 응답은 끝이 낮아지는 경우가 많아요. Statements and responses that show you understand often finish lower.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	내일 회의는 열 시예요. —	Tomorrow's meeting is at ten.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Junho	네, 알겠어요. —	Yes, I understand.
Hana	회의실은 삼 층이에요. —	The meeting room is on the third floor.
Junho	네, 알겠어요. —	Yes, I understand.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
알겠어요 algesseoyo	I understand. / I got it.	‘알겠어요’는 ‘이해했어요’ 또는 ‘알았어요’라는 뜻으로 써요. It means “I understand” or “I got it.”
이해했다는 뜻 ihaehaetdaneun tteut	The meaning is “I understood.”	So, with 네, 알겠어요, I am not asking for more information. I am showing that I understood it.
부드럽게, 차분하게 budeureopge, chabunhage	Affirmative Pitch That Doesn't Trail Off	처음부터 끝까지 한 음절씩 계단처럼 떨어뜨릴 필요도 없어요. Keep the phrase smooth, then let the final part settle.



Grammar / Structure Notes

네, 알겠어요.

네, 알겠어요. — Yes, I understand.

For an acknowledgment, let the ending settle rather than float up.

끝이 낮아지는 경우가 많아요.

끝이 낮아지는 경우가 많아요. — The ending often becomes lower.

It is a common pattern, not a rule for every single situation.

네.

네 + . — Yes.

선생님이 ‘이제 설명을 시작할게요’라고 하면, 짧게 ‘네.’라고 답할 수 있어요. If a teacher says, “I’ll start explaining now,” you can answer briefly, “Yes.”

알겠어요

알겠어요 — I understand. / I got it.

Use it after receiving information you now understand.

문맥에 따라 달라져요.

문맥에 따라 달라져요. — It changes depending on the context.

Listen for the purpose of the sentence, not just one fixed melody.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
네.	ne.
네, 알겠어요.	ne, algesseoyo.
네?	ne?

Self-Check

- 1 Say 알겠어요를 자신 있게 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
가요 끝을 올리면 질문이 돼요	A1 Pronunciation: compare 가요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-INT-001
감사해요 Statement vs Soft-Question Pitch on Polite Fragments	A1 Pronunciation: compare 감사해요 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-INT-005
공일공에 삼사공팔 전화번호와 숫자를 끊어 읽는 리듬	A1 Pronunciation: compare 공일공에 삼사공팔 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-INT-003
네 Stretching or Cutting Agreement and Refusal	A1 Pronunciation: compare 네 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-PRON-INT-004

My Notes

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