



Korean Ladder Study Note

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Everyday Sauces and Condiments

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Vocabulary Food & Dining	케첩 / 마요네즈 / 소스 / 드레싱 Everyday Sauces and Condiments

Study Links

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Core Idea

Okay, true story. At a burger place in Seoul, I didn't want mayo, so I said **노 마요** 주세요. The server smiled, but gave me a very confused look.

아, 그럴 수 있어요. That's a really common moment. 오늘은 소스 이름하고 주문할 때 쓰는 말을 배워 볼 거예요. Sauce names, and how to ask for them.

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그래서 중요한 건 발음이에요. If you say them with English sounds, people may not catch it. Korean sounds make it click.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Junho	저기요, 샐러드 드레싱은 뭐가 있어요? —	Excuse me, what dressings do you have for the salad?



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	참깨 드레싱하고 오리엔탈 드레싱 있어요. —	We have sesame dressing and oriental dressing.
Junho	참깨 드레싱으로 주세요. 따로 주세요. —	Sesame, please. On the side.
Hana	네. 감자튀김에 케첩도 드릴까요? —	Sure. Would you like ketchup with the fries too?
Junho	네, 케첩 주세요. 마요네즈는 빼 주세요. —	Yes, ketchup please. And no mayonnaise, please.
Hana	네, 알겠습니다. —	Okay, got it.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
케첩 · 마요네즈 · 소스 · 드레싱 ke-cheop · ma-yo-ne-jeu · so-seu · deu-re-sing	ketchup · mayonnaise · sauce · dressing	Good news first. Many sauce words in Korean come from English. 케첩, 마요네즈, 소스, 드레싱. You already know them, just with Korean sounds.
케첩 ke-cheop	ketchup	첫 번째, 케첩. Ketchup. 감자튀김에 케첩 많이 먹어요. We eat a lot of ketchup with fries.
마요네즈 ma-yo-ne-jeu	mayonnaise	두 번째, 마요네즈. Mayonnaise. 짧게 마요라고도 해요. People often just say 마요.
소스 so-seu	sauce (general word)	세 번째, 소스. This is the general word for sauce. 돈가스 소스, 스테이크 소스, 핫소스. 어떤 소스든 다 소스예요.
드레싱 deu-re-sing	dressing	네 번째, 드레싱. Salad dressing. 샐러드에는 드레싱을 뿌려요. You pour dressing on salad.
간장 gan-jang	soy sauce	보너스 하나 더. Soy sauce is not 소이 소스. It's 간장. 간장은 한국 음식에 정말 많이 써요.
머스터드 · 겨자 meo-seu-teo-deu · gyeo-ja	mustard (Western) · hot mustard (Korean)	And mustard. On a hot dog, it's 머스터드. With Korean cold noodles, people use 겨자, a sharper Korean-style mustard.
간장 · 고추장 · 된장 gan-jang · go-chu-jang · doen-jang	soy sauce · red pepper paste · soybean paste	맞아요. 소스 is the umbrella. But traditional sauces like 간장, 고추장, 된장 have their own Korean names.



Grammar / Structure Notes

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케첩

케첩 — ketchup

감자튀김에 케첩 — ketchup on fries

마요네즈

마요네즈 — mayonnaise

Short form: 마요

소스

소스 — sauce (general word)

돈가스 소스 · 스테이크 소스 · 핫소스

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
케첩	ke-cheop
마요네즈	ma-yo-ne-jeu
드레싱	deu-re-sing

Self-Check

- 1 Say 케첩 / 마요네즈 / 소스 / 드레싱 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.

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Lesson	Why study it next	Link
국물 / 건더기 / 육수 Broth Words You'll Hear at Every Korean Table	A1 Vocabulary: compare 국물 / 건더기 / 육수 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-VOCAB-FOO-007
국물 있는 거 Ordering Brothy Versus Mixed Dishes	A1 Vocabulary: compare 국물 있는 거 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-VOCAB-FOO-009
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