



Korean Ladder Study Note

실내화 / 슬리퍼 / 구두 / 운동화

Indoor vs Outdoor Footwear

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Vocabulary Home & Daily Life	실내화 / 슬리퍼 / 구두 / 운동화 Indoor vs Outdoor Footwear

Study Links

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Watch the full video on YouTube

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Core Idea

If I see slippers by a Korean front door, are they always indoor shoes?

꼭 그렇지는 않아요. Not necessarily. Slippers can be for indoors or for a quick trip outside.

So I need the shoe word, not just a guess about where it belongs.

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Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Junho	실내화는 어디에 있어요? —	Where are the indoor shoes?
Hana	여기 있어요. —	They're here.
Junho	운동화는 여기서 벗어요? —	Do I take off my sneakers here?



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	네, 여기서 벗으세요. —	Yes, please take them off here.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
실내화 · 슬리퍼 · 구두 · 운동화 —	Indoor shoes · slippers · dress shoes · sneakers	오늘은 신발 이름 네 가지를 배워요. Today we'll learn four everyday shoe words.
신발 sinbal	Shoes; footwear	신발은 전체를 가리키는 말이에요. 신발 is the general word for shoes or footwear.
실내화 silnaehwa	Indoor shoes	실내화. Indoor shoes. These are shoes kept for indoor use.
슬리퍼 seullipeo	Slippers; slip-on slides	슬리퍼. Slippers, including simple slip-on slides. They don't have to be soft bedroom slippers.
구두 gudu	Dress shoes	구두. Dress shoes, like formal flats, heels, or lace-up dress shoes. Not just any shoes.
운동화 undonghwa	Sneakers; trainers	운동화. Sneakers or trainers. You can wear them for everyday life, not only for exercise.
슬리퍼 · 실내화 —	Can describe the same pair	Wait. Could one pair be both 슬리퍼 and 실내화?
실내용 슬리퍼 —	Slippers for indoor use	네. 실내용 슬리퍼는 실내화로 쓸 수 있어요. Yes. Slippers kept for indoors can serve as indoor shoes.



Grammar / Structure Notes

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신발

신발 — Shoes; footwear

The general category

신발을 벗어요.

신발을 벗어요. — Take off your shoes.

A useful phrase at the entrance to a home

실내화

실내화 — Indoor shoes

Named for where they are used, not one particular shape

학교에서 실내화를 신어요.

학교 + 에서 + 실내화 + 를 + 신어요. — I wear indoor shoes at school.

학교에서 실내화를 신어요. I wear indoor shoes at school. Many Korean schools have students change into indoor shoes.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
실내화를 신어요.	silnaehwareul sineoyo
운동화를 신어요.	undonghwareul sineoyo

Self-Check

- 1 Say 실내화 / 슬리퍼 / 구두 / 운동화 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
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