



Korean Ladder Study Note

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Beginner Garden and Plant Words

Level	Topic	Focus
A1 · Beginner TOPIK 1	Vocabulary Nature & Weather	꽃 / 풀 / 잎 / 씨앗 Beginner Garden and Plant Words

Study Links

Open this lesson on Korean Ladder

<https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-VOCAB-NAT-004>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oG7xtiZPFIE>

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Core Idea

Here is my beginner panic question. If I see pretty flowers, grass everywhere, one leaf, and little seeds, do I just point and say the Korean nouns? Or do I need something after them?

좋은 질문이에요. Korean nouns usually like a small helper after them when they are part of a sentence.

Today the main helper is the subject marker 이. Because these four words all end in a final consonant, 받침, we say 꽃이, 풀이, 잎이, 씨앗이.

오늘의 틀은 noun plus 이, then a simple description. In English, it feels like the noun is, looks, or has that quality, for example the flower is pretty, or there is a lot of grass.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	꽃이 정말 예뻐요. —	The flowers are really pretty.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Junho	네, 그리고 풀이 많아요. —	Yes, and there is a lot of grass.
Hana	이 잎이 커요. —	This leaf is big.
Junho	씨앗이 작아요. —	The seeds are small.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
꽃이 / 풀이 / 잎이 / 씨앗이 kkochi / puri / ipi / ssi-asi	flower/grass/leaf/seed + subject marker 이	Today the main helper is the subject marker 이. Because these four words all end in a final consonant, 받침, we say 꽃이, 풀이, 잎이, 씨앗이.
Noun + 이 + description —	The noun is / looks / has that quality	오늘의 틀은 noun plus 이, then a simple description. In English, it feels like the noun is, looks, or has that quality, for example the flower is pretty, or there is a lot of grass.
꽃이 예뻐요 kkochi yeppeoyo	The flower is pretty.	So not just 꽃. More like 꽃이 예뻐요 when I want a sentence.
꽃이 · 풀이 · 잎이 · 씨앗이 kkochi · puri · ipi · ssi-asi	flower · grass · leaf · seed as subjects	맞아요. 이번 네 단어는 모두 받침이 있어서 조사 이가 붙어요. 꽃이, 풀이, 잎이, 씨앗이처럼 말해요.
꽃이 kkochi	Beginner Garden and Plant Words	꽃이 예뻐요. The pronunciation connects smoothly, 꽃 plus 이 becomes 꽃이.
풀 pul	grass; small ground plants	Second word, 풀. 풀 means grass, or sometimes small plants growing from the ground.
풀이 많아요 puri manyayo	There is a lot of grass / low ground plants.	풀이 많아요 means there is a lot of grass, or a lot of small ground plants.
잎 ip	leaf; leaves by context	Third word, 잎. 잎 means leaf. One leaf can be 잎, and leaves can also be 잎 when context is clear.



Grammar / Structure Notes

꽃이 / 풀이 / 잎이 / 씨앗이

꽃이 / 풀이 / 잎이 / 씨앗이 — flower/grass/leaf/seed + subject marker 이

All four nouns have 받침, so add 이.

Noun + 이 + description

Noun + 이 + description — The noun is / looks / has that quality

꽃이 예뻐요. 풀이 많아요.

꽃이 예뻐요

꽃이 예뻐요 — The flower is pretty.

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꽃이 · 풀이 · 잎이 · 씨앗이

꽃이 · 풀이 · 잎이 · 씨앗이 — flower · grass · leaf · seed as subjects

받침 있는 명사 + 이

꽃이 예뻐요

꽃 + 이 + 예뻐요 — The flower is pretty.

First word, 꽃. 꽃 means flower. In a sentence, 꽃이 is the flower as the subject.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
꽃이	kkochi
꽃이 예뻐요	kkochi yeppeoyo
풀이 많아요	puri manayo
잎이 커요. 씨앗이 작아요.	ipi keoyo. ssi-asi jagayo.

Self-Check

- 1 Say 꽃 / 풀 / 잎 / 씨앗 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
강아지 / 고양이 / 새 Your First Korean Animal Words	A1 Vocabulary: compare 강아지 / 고양이 / 새 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-VOCAB-NAT-002
산 / 바다 / 하늘 / 나무 Your First Korean Nature Words	A1 Vocabulary: compare 산 / 바다 / 하늘 / 나무 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-VOCAB-NAT-001
해 / 달 / 별 / 구름 First Words for the Sky	A1 Vocabulary: compare 해 / 달 / 별 / 구름 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A1-VOCAB-NAT-003
기후 변화 / 생태계 / 지속 가능성 Talking About the Environment	C1 Vocabulary: compare 기후 변화 / 생태계 / 지속 가능성 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-C1-VOCAB-NAT-001

My Notes

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