



Korean Ladder Study Note

완전 / 개 / 너무너무

Beginner Intensifier Slang

Level	Topic	Focus
A2 · Elementary TOPIK 2	Colloquial Slang	완전 / 개 / 너무너무 Beginner Intensifier Slang

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Core Idea

Okay, real question. I learned 좋아 for 'I like it.' But my Korean friends almost never just say 좋아. They add something in front. What am I missing?

Right, like there's a secret dial that turns the feeling up. Where is the volume knob?

That is exactly it. Today we learn three intensifiers — 완전, 개, and 너무너무. They all mean roughly 'so' or 'totally,' but each one has a different volume.

먼저 완전. 완전 means 'completely' or 'totally.' In English, it marks the feeling as full, one hundred percent.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	이 케이크 어때요? —	How's this cake?
Junho	완전 맛있어요. —	It's totally delicious.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	진짜요? 저도 한 입 주세요. —	Really? Give me a bite too.
Junho	너무너무 좋아할 거예요. —	You'll love it so, so much.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
완전 · 개 · 너무너무 wanjeon · gae · neomu-neomu	totally · crazy · so, so	That is exactly it. Today we learn three intensifiers — 완전, 개, and 너무너무. They all mean roughly 'so' or 'totally,' but each one has a different volume.
완전 wanjeon	totally, completely	먼저 완전. 완전 means 'completely' or 'totally.' In English, it marks the feeling as full, one hundred percent.
완전 좋아 wanjeon joa	I totally love it	예를 들어, 완전 좋아. In English, 'I totally love it.' 완전 goes right in front of the adjective.
개 gae	crazy, super (rough slang)	다음은 개. 개 is stronger. It can mean 'crazy' or 'super,' but it is rough slang. Be careful with it.
개맛있어 gae-masisseo	crazy delicious	개 attaches right onto the word — 개맛있어, 'crazy delicious.' 개 comes first, then 맛있어.
너무너무 neomu-neomu	so, so much	그리고 너무너무. 너무 alone means 'too' or 'so.' Doubling it — 너무너무 — makes it warmer and more emotional, like 'so, so much.'
너무너무 좋아 neomu-neomu joa	I love it so, so much	너무너무 좋아. 'I love it so, so much.' 너무너무 doubles the feeling, then 좋아.
완전 / 개 / 너무너무 wanjeon / gae / neomu-neomu	totally / crazy / so, so	So let me line them up. 완전 좋아 is 'totally good,' 개맛있어 is 'crazy delicious,' and 너무너무 좋아 is 'so, so good.' They all sit in front of the adjective, right?



Grammar / Structure Notes

완전 · 개 · 너무너무

완전 · 개 · 너무너무 — totally · crazy · so, so

Three ways to turn an adjective up

완전

완전 — totally, completely

friendly, safe, everyday

완전 좋아

완전 + 좋아 — I totally love it

예를 들어, 완전 좋아. In English, 'I totally love it.' 완전 goes right in front of the adjective.

개

개 — crazy, super (rough slang)

very casual — friends only

개맛있어

개 + 맛있어 — crazy delicious

개 attaches right onto the word — 개맛있어, 'crazy delicious.' 개 comes first, then 맛있어.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
완전 좋아	wanjeon joa
너무너무 좋아	neomu-neomu joa

Self-Check

- 1 Say 완전 / 개 / 너무너무 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
가성비 / 가심비 / 플렉스 / 득템 소비 세대의 신조어	B2 Colloquial: compare 가성비 / 가심비 / 플렉스 / 득템 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B2-COLLOQ-SLG-003
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