



Korean Ladder Study Note

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More Everyday Korean Chat Abbreviations

Level	Topic	Focus
A2 · Elementary TOPIK 2	Colloquial Texting	ㅌㅋ / ㅍㅑ / ㅑㅒ More Everyday Korean Chat Abbreviations

Study Links

Open this lesson on Korean Ladder

<https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A2-COLLOQ-TXT-002>

Watch the full video on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y4Bk-KwYbko>

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Core Idea

I saw a Korean friend text two consonant names, 치웃 키웁, after someone got accepted. Was that a typo, or was it congratulations?

좋은 질문이에요. 치웃 키웁, written as the shortcut on the card, is a very casual way to mean 축하, congratulations.

Today we add three common shortcuts: 치웃 키웁 for 축하, 시웃 기억 for 수고, and 기억 디글 for 기다려.

So the pattern is: keep the first consonant sounds of the Korean word, and friends understand the shortcut.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	나 합격했어. —	I passed.
Junho	오, ㅌㅋ. —	Oh, congrats.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	고마워. 너도 발표 준비하느라 ㅇㄱ. —	Thanks. Good work preparing your presentation too.
Junho	잠깐, 자료 찾는 중. ㄱㄷ. —	Hold on, I'm looking for the file. Wait.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
ㅈㅋ = 축하 chukha	congrats / congratulations	좋은 질문이에요. 치웃 키읓, written as the shortcut on the card, is a very casual way to mean 축하, congratulations.
ㅈㅋ / ㅇㄱ / ㄱㄷ —	congrats / good work / wait	Today we add three common shortcuts: 치웃 키읓 for 축하, 시웃 기억 for 수고, and 기억 디글 for 기다려.
첫소리만 남기기 cheotsoriman namgigi	keep only the first consonant sounds	So the pattern is: keep the first consonant sounds of the Korean word, and friends understand the shortcut.
친한 사이에서만 chinhan saieseo-man	only with people you are close to	맞아요. But remember, this is not formal Korean. These are friendly, fast, casual text shortcuts.
축하해 chukha-hae	Congrats.	First one: 축하. In a full casual message, you can say 축하해, meaning congratulations.
ㅈㅋ —	congrats	In texting, friends often shorten 축하 to the shortcut on the card. It feels quick, light, and casual.
수고했어 sugo-haesseo	Good work. / You worked hard.	Second one: 수고. 수고 means effort or hard work. In messages, 수고했어 means you worked hard, or good work.
ㅇㄱ = 수고 sugo	good work / thanks for the effort	The shortcut is 시웃 기억. It is common among friends or teammates after doing something together.



Grammar / Structure Notes

ㅌㅋ = 축하

ㅌㅋ = 축하 — congrats / congratulations

Very casual texting

ㅌㅋ / ㅌㄱ / ㄱㄷ

ㅌㅋ / ㅌㄱ / ㄱㄷ — congrats / good work / wait

Consonant shortcuts from casual Korean words

첫소리만 남기기

첫소리만 남기기 — keep only the first consonant sounds

A common Korean texting habit

친한 사이에서만

친한 사이에서만 — only with people you are close to

Not for teachers, bosses, clients, or formal messages

축하해

축하 + 해 — Congrats.

First one: 축하. In a full casual message, you can say 축하해, meaning congratulations.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
ㅌㅋ	chukha
축하해	chukha-hae
수고했어	sugo-haesseo
ㅌㄱ	sugo
기다려	gidaryeo
ㄱㄷ	gidaryeo

Self-Check

- 1 Say ㅌㅋ / ㅌㄱ / ㄱㄷ 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
ㅎㅇ / ㅎㅎ / ㄱㅅ Beginner Korean Chat Abbreviations	A2 Colloquial: compare ㅎㅇ / ㅎㅎ / ㄱㅅ with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A2-COLLOQ-TXT-001
ㄹㅇ / ㅇㅈㄹㅇ / ㄹㅇㅋㅋ Texting 'For Real' in Korean Chat	B1 Colloquial: compare ㄹㅇ / ㅇㅈㄹㅇ / ㄹㅇㅋㅋ with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B1-COLLOQ-TXT-003
ㅇㅇ / ㄴㄴ / ㅂㅂ / ㅇㅈ More Korean Chat Shorthand	B1 Colloquial: compare ㅇㅇ / ㄴㄴ / ㅂㅂ / ㅇㅈ with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B1-COLLOQ-TXT-002
ㅇㅋ / ㄱㄱ / ㅋㅋ Reading Korean Text and Chat Abbreviations	B1 Colloquial: compare ㅇㅋ / ㄱㄱ / ㅋㅋ with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B1-COLLOQ-TXT-001

My Notes

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