



Korean Ladder Study Note

덥다 / 춥다 / 따뜻하다 / 시원하다

How the Weather Feels

Level	Topic	Focus
A2 · Elementary TOPIK 2	Vocabulary Nature & Weather	덥다 / 춥다 / 따뜻하다 / 시원하다 How the Weather Feels

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Core Idea

I know 비 and 눈, rain and snow. But when I step outside, can I just say 날씨가 뜨거워요 for “the weather is hot”?

오늘의 핵심은 덥다, 춥다, 따뜻하다, 시원하다예요. In English: hot, cold, warm, and cool, as your body feels the weather.

패턴은 간단해요. 날씨가 blank 해요. In English, “The weather is blank,” but the blank is a feeling adjective.

하지만 덥다와 춥다는 해요가 아니예요. 더워요, 추워요로 바뀝니다. They change shape in polite present speech.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	오늘 날씨 어때요? —	How's the weather today?
Junho	낮에는 더운데, 저녁에는 쌀쌀해요. —	It's hot during the day, but chilly in the evening.



Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	그래요? 바람은 시원해요? —	Really? Is the wind cool?
Junho	네, 바람은 시원해서 좋아요. —	Yes, the wind is cool, so it's nice.

Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
날씨가 더워요 nalssi-ga deowoyo	The weather is hot.	좋은 질문이에요. 날씨에는 보통 날씨가 더워요라고 해요. 뜨거워요는 coffee, soup, or a hot surface에 더 잘 어울려요.
덥다 / 춥다 / 따뜻하다 / 시원하다 deopda / chupda / ttatteuthada / siwonhada	to be hot / cold / warm / cool	오늘의 핵심은 덥다, 춥다, 따뜻하다, 시원하다예요. In English: hot, cold, warm, and cool, as your body feels the weather.
날씨가 ____해요 nalssi-ga ____ haeyo	The weather is ____	패턴은 간단해요. 날씨가 blank 해요. In English, “The weather is blank,” but the blank is a feeling adjective.
덥다 → 더워요 / 춥다 → 추워요 deopda → deowoyo / chupda → chuwoyo	hot → it's hot / cold → it's cold	하지만 덥다와 춥다는 해요가 아니예요. 더워요, 추워요로 바뀝니다. They change shape in polite present speech.
오늘은 정말 더워요 oneul-eun jeongmal deowoyo	Today is really hot.	첫 번째 예문이에요. 오늘은 정말 더워요. It means, “Today is really hot.”
아침에는 좀 추워요 achim-eneun jom chuwoyo	It's a little cold in the morning.	두 번째 예문입니다. 아침에는 좀 추워요. In the morning, it's a little cold.
봄 날씨가 따뜻해요 bom nalssi-ga ttatteuthae-yo	The spring weather is warm.	세 번째는 따뜻해요. 봄 날씨가 따뜻해요. It feels warm, comfortable, and not hot.
바람이 시원해요 baram-i siwonhae-yo	The wind feels cool and refreshing.	네 번째는 시원해요. 바람이 시원해요. The breeze feels cool and refreshing.



Grammar / Structure Notes

날씨가 더워요

날씨 + 가 + 더워요 — The weather is hot.

좋은 질문이에요. 날씨에는 보통 날씨가 더워요라고 해요. 뜨거워요는 coffee, soup, or a hot surface에 더 잘 어울려요.

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Use these for how the weather or air feels.

날씨가 ____해요

날씨가 ____해요 — The weather is ____

For many descriptive words ending in 하다: 따뜻해요, 시원해요, 습해요.

덥다 → 더워요 / 춥다 → 추워요

덥다 → 더워요 / 춥다 → 추워요 — hot → it's hot / cold → it's cold

Irregular polite forms you should memorize as chunks.

오늘은 정말 더워요

오늘 + 은 + 정말 + 더워요 — Today is really hot.

첫 번째 예문이에요. 오늘은 정말 더워요. It means, "Today is really hot."

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
오늘은 더워요	oneul-eun deowoyo
밖이 추워요	bakk-i chuwoyo
바람이 시원해요	baram-i siwonhae-yo

Self-Check

- 1 Say 덥다 / 춥다 / 따뜻하다 / 시원하다 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
비 / 눈 / 바람 Talking About the Weather	A2 Vocabulary: compare 비 / 눈 / 바람 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A2-VOCAB-NAT-001
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
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
미세먼지 / 장마 / 폭염 / 황사 Weather and Environment News	B2 Vocabulary: compare 미세먼지 / 장마 / 폭염 / 황사 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B2-VOCAB-NAT-001

My Notes

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