



Korean Ladder Study Note

-(으)ㄴ수록

The More X, the More Y

Level	Topic	Focus
B2 · Upper-Intermediate TOPIK 4	Grammar Connectors	-(으)ㄴ수록 The More X, the More Y

Study Links

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Core Idea

I know how to say if with 으면, but when I try to say, the more I study, the more confused I get, I freeze.

좋은 질문이에요. 공부하면 is a simple condition: if you study. 공부할수록 means as studying increases, another result increases too.

오늘의 핵심은 두 움직임이에요. X가 커질수록 Y도 같이 변합니다.

패턴 이름은 -(으)ㄴ수룩이에요. In English, think the more, the more.

Conversation Snapshot

Speaker	Korean	Meaning
Hana	준호 씨, 이 문법은 설명할수록 더 재미있네요. —	Junho, the more I explain this grammar, the more interesting it gets.
Junho	맞아요. 예문을 만들면 만들수록 감이 더 잘 와요. —	Right. The more we make example sentences, the better the feel comes.



Vocabulary & Useful Expressions

Word	Meaning	Example
공부하면 / 공부할수록 gongbuhameyon / gongbuhalsurok	if you study / the more you study	좋은 질문이에요. 공부하면 is a simple condition: if you study. 공부할수록 means as studying increases, another result increases too.
X-(으)르수록 Y X-(eu)lsurok Y	The more X happens, the more Y changes	오늘의 핵심은 두 움직임이에요. X가 커질수록 Y도 같이 변합니다.
-(으)르수록 -(eu)lsurok	the more X, the more Y	패턴 이름은 -(으)르수록이에요. In English, think the more, the more.
먹다 → 먹을수록 / 가다 → 갈수록 meokda to meogeulsurok / gada to galsurok	eat → the more one eats / go → the more one goes	So if the stem has a final consonant, I usually add 을수록. If not, 르수록.
X할수록 Y해져요 X-halsurok Y-haejyeoyo	The more X happens, the more Y becomes that way	맞아요. 그리고 뜻은 항상 두 부분으로 들어요. X할수록, Y해져요.
바쁘다 → 바쁠수록 bappeuda to bappeulsurok	to be busy → the busier it gets	바쁘다 becomes 바쁠수록. That sounds like the adjective itself is increasing.
하면 할수록 hameyon halsurok	the more one does it	이제 하면 할수록을 볼게요. This repeats the verb to make the proportional feeling stronger.
연습할수록 / 연습하면 할수록 yeonseupalsurok / yeonseupameyon halsurok	the more you practice / the more you keep practicing	맞아요. 하지만 모든 문장에 반복을 넣을 필요는 없어요. 기본형만으로도 충분히 자연스러워요.



Grammar / Structure Notes

공부하면 / 공부할수록

공부하면 / 공부할수록 — if you study / the more you study

-(으)면 gives a condition. -(으)를수록 shows proportional change.

X-(으)를수록 Y

X-(으)를수록 Y — The more X happens, the more Y changes

Use it when one change grows together with another change.

-(으)를수록

-(으)를수록 — the more X, the more Y

Attach it to a verb or adjective stem.

갈수록 더 좋아요.

갈수록 + 더 + 좋아요. — The more time goes by, the better it is.

받침이 없거나 리을 받침이면 를수를 붙입니다. 가다 becomes 갈수록, 알다 becomes 알수록.

먹을수록 더 맛있어요.

먹을수록 + 더 + 맛있어요. — The more I eat it, the tastier it is.

받침이 있으면 을수를 붙여요. 먹다 becomes 먹을수록, 듣다 becomes 들을수록.

Pronunciation Loop

Phrase	How to practice
만들면 만들수록	mandeulmyeon mandeulsurok
들을수록 더 쉬워져요.	deureulsurok deo swiwoyeojeoyo
말할수록 자신감이 생겨요.	malhalsurok jasingami saenggyeoyo

Self-Check

- 1 Say -(으)를수록 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
-(으)ㄴ / 는 탓에 / 덕분에 / 바람에 Assigning Blame, Credit, and Cause	C1 Grammar: compare -(으)ㄴ / 는 탓에 / 덕분에 / 바람에 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-C1-GRAM-CON-002
-(으)니까 Reason, Discovery, and Why It Isn't 아서/어서	B1 Grammar: compare -(으)니까 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B1-GRAM-CON-002
-(으)러 vs -(으)려고 Going Somewhere to Do Something	A2 Grammar: compare -(으)러 vs -(으)려고 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A2-GRAM-CON-003
-(으)면 Saying 'If' and 'When' in Korean	A2 Grammar: compare -(으)면 with this lesson so the boundary becomes clearer.	Open lesson https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-A2-GRAM-CON-002

My Notes

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