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TOPIK 4 · B2 Upper-Intermediate

KOR-B2-VG-GRAM-TNS-801

FREE LESSON STUDY NOTE · RICH TRANSCRIPT STUDY SHEET

-아/어 놓다 vs -아/어 두다

Keeping a State in Korean | TOPIK 2 Grammar · 토픽 문법

Use this printable study sheet with the Korean Ladder video and web lesson. Climb one clear rung at a time: understand the meaning of -아/어 놓다 vs -아/어 두다, hear how it sounds in context, then test yourself before moving to the next lesson.

01 · STUDY LINKS

Video, Website, and Path Links

Lesson on Korean Ladder: https://www.koreanladder.com/lesson.html?id=KOR-B2-VG-GRAM-TNS-801 — interactive cards, study path position, and progress tracking

Watch the full video on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3H9aD4I_QMM — Korean Ladder video lesson (3H9aD4I_QMM)

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02 · CORE EXPLANATION

What to Notice First

1. 안녕하세요, 여러분. Welcome back to Korean Ladder! Today we are tackling a classic TOPIK two grammar pair for level four: how to express keeping a completed state.

2. 반갑습니다, 지호입니다. Both of these auxiliary verb patterns mean you did something and left it that way, so telling them apart is a great skill for TOPIK four.

3. Here is the question we hear all the time. If 창문을 열어 놓았어요 and 창문을 열어 두었어요 both mean I opened the window and left it open, when does the difference actually matter?

4. 좋은 질문이에요. In everyday conversation they overlap a lot, but on the exam and in nuanced Korean, their core focus is slightly different.

03 · KEY KOREAN LINES

Core Pattern & Example Bank

Korean	Meaning & cue	How to study it
창문을 열어 놓았어요 vs 창문을 열어 두었어요	Both mean 'I left the window open' — what's the difference?	Hook
창문을 열어 놓았어요 vs 창문을 열어 두었어요	Resulting state now vs saving for a future purpose	Hook
동사 + -아/어 놓다 / -아/어 두다 `dongsa + -a/eo nota / -a/eo duda`	do something and leave/keep it in that state	Pattern
-아/어 놓다 (현재 상태) vs -아/어 두다 (미래 대비)	Current resulting state vs preparation for later	Pattern

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Korean	Meaning & cue	How to study it
식탁 위에 과일을 씻어 놓았어요. siktak wie gwaireul ssiseo noasseoyo.	I washed the fruit and left it on the table.	식탁 위에 + 과일을 + 씻어 + 놓았어요.
-아/어 놓았다 → -아/어 놨다 -a/eo noatda → -a/eo nwatda	Contracted spoken form of -아/어 놓았다	Pattern
호텔을 미리 예약해 두었어요. hotereul miri yeyakae dueosseoyo.	I booked the hotel in advance (for later).	호텔을 + 미리 + 예약해 + 두었어요.

04 · SPOKEN CONTEXT

Mini Dialogue & Listening Cue

Jiho	수아 씨, 오후 회의 준비는 다 끝났나요? Sua, are the preparations for the afternoon meeting all done?
Sua	네, 회의실 에어컨도 미리 켜 놓았어요. Yes, I turned on the meeting room AC in advance and left it on.

05 · SELF-CHECK

Quick Practice & Answer Key

Prompt: 내일 회의에서 발표할 자료를 미리 (㉠) 아침에 여유 있게 출근할 수 있었다.

- A. 준비해 두어서
- B. 준비해 버려서
- C. 준비하곤 해서

1. Cover the English column above and translate each Korean expression aloud.
2. Write two personal sentences using -아/어 놓다 vs -아/어 두다 (Keeping a State in Korean | TOPIK 2 Grammar · 토픽 문법).
3. Watch the YouTube video once without pausing, then repeat the key lines with the teachers.

Answer key: A: 내일 회의에서 발표할 자료를 미리 준비해 두어서 아침에 여유 있게 출근할 수 있었다. — '미리' and '여유 있게 출근할 수 있었다' require keeping a completed preparation for later (-아/어 두다).

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06 · NEXT RUNGS

Related / Subsequent Studies

Lesson	Level	Where to study next
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-더니 vs -았더니/었더니 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder — 더니 vs -았더니/었더니 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder Vocabulary & Grammar › Grammar › Connectors	B2 · TOPIK 4	Web lesson · YouTube video · Study PDF
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