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TOPIK 4 · B2 Upper-Intermediate
KOR-B2-VG-VOCAB-NAT-801

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Environment and Climate Words | TOPIK 2 Vocabulary · 토픽 어휘

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Use this printable study sheet with the Korean Ladder video and web lesson. Climb one clear rung at a time: understand the meaning of Environment and Climate Words | TOPIK 2 Vocabulary · 토픽 어휘, 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-VOCAB-NAT-801 — interactive cards, study path position, and progress tracking

Watch the full video on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9wyQ_9oUGI4 — Korean Ladder video lesson (9wyQ_9oUGI4)

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02 · CORE EXPLANATION

What to Notice First

1. 안녕하세요, 코리안 래더에 오신 것을 환영합니다! Today we are tackling TOPIK two vocabulary at level four, focusing on environment and climate words.

2. 반갑습니다, 지호입니다. If you have ever opened a TOPIK reading passage about the planet and felt lost in formal Sino-Korean nouns, today's episode is for you.

3. 영어권 학습자분들이 자주 묻는 질문이 있어요. Why does Korean use one set of weather words in daily chat, and a totally different set in news articles?

4. 좋은 질문이죠. In conversation we say 비가 많이 와요 or 날씨가 더워요. 하지만 뉴스나 TOPIK 지문에서는 폭우, 이상 기후, 온실가스처럼 압축된 한자어를 씁니다.

03 · KEY KOREAN LINES

Core Pattern & Example Bank

Korean	Meaning & cue	How to study it
Why do climate news articles use different words from daily weather talk?	일상 날씨 표현 vs. 뉴스·시험의 환경 한자어	Hook
기후 변화 · 이상 기후 · 온실가스 · 배출량 · 생태계	climate change · abnormal climate · greenhouse gas · emissions volume · ecosystem	Pattern

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Korean	Meaning & cue	How to study it
최근 이상 기후로 인해 극심한 가뭄과 폭우가 반복되고 있다. choegeun isang gihuro inhae geuksimhan gamumgwa poguga banbokdoego itda.	Recently, due to abnormal climate, severe droughts and heavy downpours are repeating.	최근 + 이상 기후 + 로 인해 + 극심한 + 가뭄 + 과 + 폭우 + 가 + 반복되고 있다.
정부는 온실가스 배출량을 줄이기 위해 친환경 에너지를 확대하고 있다. jeongbuneun onsilgaseu baechullyangeul jurigi wihae chinhwangyeong enojireul hwakdaehago itda.	The government is expanding eco-friendly energy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	정부 + 는 + 온실가스 배출량 + 을 + 줄이기 위해 + 친환경 에너지 + 를 + 확대하고 있다.
무분별한 개발로 생태계가 파괴되면서 동식물의 서식지가 사라지고 있다. mubunbyeolhan gaeballo saengtaegyega pagoedoemyeonseo dongsikmurui seosikjiga sarajigo itda.	As the ecosystem is destroyed by reckless development, habitats for plants and animals are disappearing.	무분별한 + 개발 + 로 + 생태계 + 가 + 파괴되면서 + 동식물의 + 서식지 + 가 + 사라지고 있다.
기후 변화 (Climate change) · 이상 기후 (Abnormal climate) gihu byeonhwa · isang gihu	Long-term climate shifts vs. abnormal extreme weather events	Pattern
가뭄 (Drought) · 폭우 (Heavy downpour) · 폭염 (Heatwave) gamum · pogu · pogyeom	Extreme climate disasters using the prefix 폭- (violent/extreme)	Pattern

04 · SPOKEN CONTEXT

Mini Dialogue & Listening Cue

Sua	지호 씨, 이번 여름에는 폭우도 자주 내리고 폭염도 유난히 심하네요. Jiho, this summer heavy downpours are falling often and the heatwave is unusually severe.
Jiho	맞아요. 뉴스에서 지구 온난화 때문에 이상 기후 현상이 점점 더 잦아지고 있다고 하더라고요. Right. On the news they said abnormal climate phenomena are getting more frequent because of global warming.
Sua	이러다가 생태계까지 크게 파괴될까 봐 걱정이에요. 온실가스 배출량을 줄이는 게 정말 시급하겠어요. I worry the ecosystem might get severely destroyed at this rate. Reducing greenhouse gas emissions must be truly urgent.
Jiho	네, 그래서 요즘 기업들도 친환경 에너지를 쓰는 쪽으로 빠르게 바꾸고 있대요. Yes, that is why companies these days are reportedly switching quickly toward using eco-friendly energy.

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05 · SELF-CHECK

Quick Practice & Answer Key

Prompt: 최근 지구 온난화로 인해 극심한 가뭄과 폭우 같은 (㉠) 현상이 세계 곳곳에서 자주 발생하고 있다.

- A. 이상 기후
- B. 생태계 복원
- C. 자원 재활용

1. Cover the English column above and translate each Korean expression aloud.

2. Write two personal sentences using Environment and Climate Words | TOPIK 2 Vocabulary · 토픽 어휘 (Environment and Climate Words | TOPIK 2 Vocabulary · 토픽 어휘).

3. Watch the YouTube video once without pausing, then repeat the key lines with the teachers.

Answer key: A: 이상 기후 (Abnormal climate) — '극심한 가뭄과 폭우'는 비정상적인 날씨 현상의 예시이므로 '이상 기후'가 문맥에 알맞다.

06 · NEXT RUNGS

Related / Subsequent Studies

Lesson	Level	Where to study next
-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
-(으)ㄹ 뿐만 아니라 and -는 데다가 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder — (으)ㄹ 뿐만 아니라 and -는 데다가 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder Vocabulary & Grammar › Grammar › Sentence Endings	**B2 · TOPIK 4**	Web lesson · YouTube video · Study PDF
Choosing 은/는 or 이/가 in Blank Questions — TOPIK I Grammar | Korean Ladder — Choosing 은/는 or 이/가 in Blank Questions — TOPIK I Grammar | Korean Ladder Vocabulary & Grammar › Grammar › Particles	**A1 · TOPIK 1**	Web lesson · YouTube video · Study PDF
-(으)ㄹ 거예요 and -고 있어요 for Plans and Actions — TOPIK I Grammar | Korean Ladder — (으)ㄹ 거예요 and -고 있어요 for Plans and Actions — TOPIK I Grammar | Korean Ladder Vocabulary & Grammar › Grammar › Tense	**A2 · TOPIK 2**	Web lesson · YouTube video · Study PDF

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