



FREE LESSON STUDY NOTE • RICH TRANSCRIPT STUDY SHEET

-(으)ㄹ지언정 and -(으)ㄹ망정 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder

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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 -(으)ㄹ지언정 and -(으)ㄹ망정 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder, 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-C2-VG-GRAM-CON-801> — interactive cards, study path position, and progress tracking

Watch the full video on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4nypZ8imk1E> — Korean Ladder video lesson (4nypZ8imk1E)

Download / share this PDF: <https://www.koreanladder.com/assets/lesson-notes/kor-c2-vg-gram-con-801.pdf> — direct study-note link

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02 • CORE EXPLANATION

What to Notice First

- 안녕하세요, 코리안 래더의 수아예요! Today we're on TOPIK two advanced grammar: two strong concession endings, 을지언정 and 을망정.
- 저는 지호예요. 오늘은 아주 강한 양보 표현을 배워요. These are the 'even if it costs me everything' endings.
- 학습자들이 자주 이렇게 물어봐요. I already know 아도 and 더라도. Why do I need 을지언정?
- 좋은 질문이에요. 더라도는 그냥 '그렇게 돼도'라는 가정이에요. 그런데 지언정은 '그 대가를 치르더라도 이것만은 지키겠다'는 결심이에요. It's a vow, not just a condition.

03 • KEY KOREAN LINES

Core Pattern & Example Bank

Korean	Meaning & cue	How to study it
Why not just -더라도?	-아도 • -더라도 • -(으)ㄹ지언정	Hook
가정 vs. 결심	-더라도 = condition • -(으)ㄹ지언정 = vow	Hook
-(으)ㄹ지언정 -(eu)ㄹ jieonjeong	even if (the worst happens), I still won't ...	Pattern
-(으)ㄹ망정 -(eu)ㄹ mangjeong	even though ... , at least / still ...	Pattern

Korean	Meaning & cue	How to study it
굶어 죽을지언정 남의 것은 훔치지 않겠다. gulmeo jugeuljideonjeong namui geoseun humchiji anketda.	Even if I starve to death, I won't steal what belongs to others.	굶어 + 죽 + 을지언정 + 남 + 의 + 것 + 은 + 훔치 + 지 않겠다.
굶어 죽을지언정 남의 것은 훔치지 않겠다.	Worst-case price → the line I will not cross	굶어 + 죽 + 을지언정 + 남 + 의 + 것 + 은 + 훔치 + 지 않겠다.
비록 작은 가게일망정 내 손으로 일군 가게예요.	It may be just a small shop, but I built it with my own hands.	Pattern

04 • SPOKEN CONTEXT

Mini Dialogue & Listening Cue

Sua	지호 씨, 요즘 일이 너무 많다면서요? 그만두고 싶지는 않아요? I heard you've had too much work lately. Don't you want to quit?
Jiho	힘들망정 지금 그만두지는 않을 거예요. 이 프로젝트만큼은 끝까지 해내고 싶거든요. It may be tough, but I won't quit now. I want to see this project through.
Sua	역시 지호 씨답네요. 저라면 차라리 월급을 덜 받을지언정 주말은 꼭 지키겠어요. That's so you. Me, I'd rather take less pay than give up my weekends.
Jiho	그것도 맞는 말이에요. 건강을 잃으면서까지 일할 수는 없죠. That's fair too. You can't work at the cost of your health.

05 • SELF-CHECK

Quick Practice & Answer Key

Prompt: 나는 평생 가난하게 () 양심을 팔면서까지 돈을 벌고 싶지는 않다. ()에 들어갈 말로 가장 알맞은 것을 고르십시오.

- A. 살다시피
- B. 살 테니까
- C. 살지언정

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

2. Write two personal sentences using -(으)ㄹ지언정 and -(으)ㄹ망정 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder ((으)ㄹ지언정 and -(으)ㄹ망정 — TOPIK II Grammar | Korean Ladder).

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

Answer key: C: 나는 평생 가난하게 살지언정 양심을 팔면서까지 돈을 벌고 싶지는 않다. — 극단적인 대가(가난) → 그래도 지키는 선(양심): 강한 양보

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
-기 마련이다 and -(으)ㄹ 수밖에 없다 — TOPIK II Grammar Korean Ladder — 기 마련이다 and -(으)ㄹ 수밖에 없다 — TOPIK II Grammar Korean Ladder Vocabulary & Grammar › Grammar › Sentence Endings	C2 • TOPIK 6	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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