EASY KIND KOREAN

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받침은 일곱 소리뿐

The bottom letter: only seven sounds



After this episode you can

Read blocks with a bottom letter: 물 · 밥 · 김밥 · 한글

Some Korean blocks have one more letter. It always goes at the bottom. Today, the bottom letter. And a secret: only seven sounds.

Name _____ Date _____

No pronunciation guide needed

The bottom letter points you to one of the seven.

Shape, then sound

Same rule: the consonant shapes your mouth, the vowel lets the sound out.

1. Add a bottom letter

Read the block with no bottom letter. Add the bottom letter. Read it again.

무 + ㄹ = 물

바 + ㅂ = 밥

기 + ㅁ = 김

구 + ㄱ = 국

라 + ㅇ = 랑

하 + ㄴ = 한

그 + ㄹ = 글

오 + ㅅ = 옷

꼬 + ㅊ = 꽃

아 + ㅍ = 앞

2. Shape, sound, shape, stop.

The bottom letter is a consonant you already know.



Top letter: shape your mouth.

Vowel: let the sound out.

Bottom letter: shape your mouth again, and stop.

3. Only seven end sounds

Any other letter at the bottom shrinks into one of them.



Today's shortcut. Only seven end sounds.

Strange letter at the bottom? Pick the closest of the seven, and hit the brake.

4. Write it

Trace the gray letter, then write it yourself. Say it as you write.

물	밥	김	국	랑	한	글	옷	꽃	앞

5. Today's words

Korean	meaning
무	radish
단무지	yellow pickled radish
물	water
밥	cooked rice, a meal
국	soup
김밥	rice rolled in seaweed
받침	the bottom letter
사랑	love
한글	the Korean alphabet
옷	clothes
꽃	flower
앞	front
라면	instant noodles
순두부	soft tofu stew

6. Read before you check

Shape, sound, shape, stop.

산	달	봄
집	강	밖
낮	옆	밤

Try it for real

> At a Korean restaurant, read the menu out loud: 김밥 · 라면 · 순두부. Need water? Say 물 and stop at the end. Nothing happens? Look around: it may be self-service.

Answers

산 "san" — mountain · **달** "dal" — moon · **봄** "bom" — spring · **집** "jip" — house · **강** "gang" — river · **밖** "bak" — outside · **낮** "nat" — daytime · **옆** "yeop" — side · **밤** "bam" — night

Next: the bottom letter moves.