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**K**orean is the language spoken in North and South Korea. Korean culture has been influenced by the Mongols, Chinese and Japanese. While educated Koreans had used a system of Chinese characters called hanja for centuries, an easier, phonetic system called hangul was not developed until the fifteenth century. Korean is spoken by over 75 million people, of which 1.5 million live in the United States.

## Consonants, Double consonants, Vowels

Korean consonants are pronounced much softer between two vowels in the middle of the word and double consonants are stopped consonants or a pause in breath when speaking. The Korean language has ten basic vowels but are generally spelled with an o as the initial consonant.

## Phrases for school

How are you? .....	An-yeong ha-se-yo?
Did you finish your homework? .....	Sook-jae-reul ta hae-sseum-ni-kka?
What tests do you have today? .....	O-neul moo-seum shi-heom-eul bom-ni-kka?
Welcome.....	Hwan-yeong ham-ni-da.
Nice to meet you.....	Man-naso ban-gap-seum-ni--da.
Welcome to our school.....	Oo-ri hag-yo-ay o-shin-geol hwan-yeong ham-ni-da.
My name is _____.	Chae irum-eun _____ im-ni-da.
What is your name?.....	I-rum-ee o-tto-kay doe-shi-n-eun jee-yo?
Do you understand the teacher? .....	Seon-saeng-nim mal-seum-ee ee-hae doe-shim-ni-kka?
You need to turn in your homework everyday.	Ma-il sook-jae-reul jae-cheul-hal pil-yo-ga i-sseum-ni-da.
Where are you from?.....	Chool-shinjee-neun o-dee-shim-ni-kka?
Do you have any questions? .....	Jil-mun-ee i-ssum-ni-kka?
Do you have any brothers or sisters? .....	Hyeong-jae-na ja-mae-ga i-sseum-ni-kka?
How are you adjusting to our school? .....	Oo-ri hag-yo-ay otto-kay jepk-eung ha-go i-sseum-ni-kka?
Do you speak English? .....	Yong-o-ro mal-hal soo i-sseum-ni-kka?
Do you play any sports?.....	Oon-dong-eul ha-shim-ni-kka?
Do you have a girlfriend/boyfriend?.....	Yeo-ja chin-gu/nam-ja chin-gu-ga i-sseum-ni-kka?

What is your favorite subject in school? .....	Hag-yo-eso jae-il jo-a-ha-neun gwa-mok-eun moo-eo-shim-ni-kka?
What is your worst subject in school? .....	Hag-yo-eso ga-jang seong-jeok-ee ddo-ro-ji-neun gwa-mok-eun moo-eo-shim-ni-kka?
Where is your homework? .....	Sook-jae-neun o-di-ay i-sseum-ni-kka?
Don't be late to class! .....	Soo-eop-ay jee-gak-ha-ji ma-se-yo!
Please study tonight. ....	O-neul-bam, gong-boo-ha-se-yo.
What test are you taking? .....	Moo-seun shi-heom-eul bo-go i-sseum-ni-kka?
Do you need help? .....	Do-oom-ee pi-ryo-ha-shim-ni-kka?
May I help you? .....	Do-wa deu-ril-ka--yo?
Please pay attention. ....	Joo-wee-reul gee-eul-yo joo-se-yo.
Good work! .....	Jal hae-sseum-ni--da!
Do you understand the test? .....	Shi-heom nae-yong-ee ee-hae-doem-ni-kka?
Do you understand your homework? .....	Sook-jae nae-yong-ee ee---hae-doem-ni-kka?
I am proud of you. ....	Dang-shin-ee ja-rang-seu-rop-seum-ni-da.
Keep up the good work. ....	Gye-sok jal ha-se-yo.
Do you know where your next class is? .....	Da-eum soo-eop-eun o-dee-eso ha-neun-jee a-shim-ni-kka?
How was art class? .....	Mee-sool soo-eop-eun o-ttae-sseum-ni-kka?
How was gym class? .....	Chae-yook soo-eop-eun o-ttae-ssum-ni-kka?
How was music class? .....	Eu-mag soo-eop-eun o-ttae-ssum-ni-kka?
Quiet please. ....	Jo-yong-hee ha-se-yo.
Please don't interrupt. ....	Ggee-eo deuljee maseyo.
Happy Birthday! .....	Saeng-il chook-ha ham-ni-da!
Where are you going? .....	O-die ka-shim-ni-ka?
Where do you live? .....	O-die sa-shim-ni-ka?

**Common words and phrases**

Hello. ....	An-nyong ha-se-yo.
Goodbye. ....	An-nyong-hi ka-ship-si-o.
Please. ....	Pu-di, Che-bal
Excuse me. ....	Che-song ham-ni--da.
Thank you. ....	Kam-sa-ham-ni-da.
You're welcome. ....	Chon-man-e mal-sum-im-ni-da
Nice to meet you. ....	Man-na-so pan-kap-sum-ni-da
Good morning. ....	An-nyong ha-shim-ni-ka
Good afternoon. ....	An-nyong ha-shim-ni-ka
Good evening. ....	An-nyong ha-shim-ni-ka
Good night. ....	An-nyong-hi chu-mu-ship-sio ne
Yes .....	
No .....	a-nim-ni-da , a-ni-yo
Maybe .....	a-ma
Open .....	yong-up jung
Closed .....	ma-gam
All .....	modu