

LEVEL 1 LESSON 19

In this lesson, we are going to look at how to say WHEN in Korean, and also practice answering the questions, “When did you do it?” “When did you arrive?” “When did you come?” “When do you get up?” and etc.

언제 [eon-je] = when

Unlike 어디 [eo-di], to which you have to add location marking particles to specify, **언제 [eonje] can be used on its own.**

Now let us try using the word 언제 in context.

Let's say:

1) “**When did you do (it)?**”

when = 언제 [eon-je]

you did (it) = 하다 + 었어요 = 했어요 [hae-sseo-yo]

did you do (it)? = 했어요? [hae-sseo-yo?]

When did you do it? = **언제 했어요?** [eon-je hae-sseo-yo?]

2) “**When did you arrive?**”

to arrive = 도착하다 [do-cha-ka-da]

you arrived = 도착했어요 [do-cha-kae-sseo-yo]

did you arrive? = 도착했어요? [do-cha-kae-sseo-yo?]

When did you arrive? = **언제 도착했어요?** [eon-je do-cha-kae-sseo-yo?]

3) “**When did you come?**”

to come = 오다 [o-da]

you came = 왔어요 [wa-sseo-yo]

did you come? = 왔어요? [wa-sseo-yo?]

When did you come? = **언제 왔어요?** [eon-je wa-sseo-yo?]

4) “**When do you get up?**”

to get up = 일어나다 [i-reo-na-da]

you get up = 일어나요 [i-reo-na-yo]

do you get up? = 일어나요? [i-reo-na-yo?]

When do you get up? = **언제 일어나요?** [eon-je i-reo-na-yo?]

Some more useful nouns to know.

오늘 [o-neul] = today

어제 [eo-je] = yesterday

내일 [nae-il] = tomorrow

지금 [ji-geum] = now

아까 [a-kka] = earlier (today), a while ago (today)

나중에 [na-jung-e] = later