

Learn Korean Ep. 54: "As soon as"

Let's go over how to say "as soon as," such as "As soon as he arrived, I wanted to leave."

v.s. + 자마자

Take a verb stem (a verb with the 다 at the end removed) and attach 자마자. That's it. Then finish the rest of the sentence.

Here are some example verbs conjugated:

하다 → 하자마자

먹다 → 먹자마자

놀다 → 놀자마자

공부하다 → 공부하자마자

한국에 **도착하자마자** 김치를 사 먹었다.

"As soon as I arrived in Korea I had kimchi."

도착하다 means "to arrive," and 사 먹다 means "to (buy and) eat."

밖에 **나가자마자** 비가 내리기 시작했다.

"As soon as I went outside, it started to rain."

밖에 means "outside," and 비(가) 내리다 means "to rain."

월급을 **받자마자** 다 써 버렸다.

"As soon as I received my paycheck I spent it all."

월급 means "(monthly) salary," and 써 버리다 means "to use (completely)."

침대에 **눕자마자** 잠이 들었다.

"As soon as I lied down in bed I fell asleep."

눕다 means "to lie (down)," and 잠(이) 들다 means "to fall asleep."

Conclusion

If you have any questions, feel free to send me a message through my web site or on YouTube. Good luck in your studies!

