

Learn Korean Ep. 73: Whatever, Wherever, Whoever, Whenever

Today I wanted to talk about how to say the words "whatever," "wherever," "whoever," and "whenever." But instead of just teaching these four words, there's actually an easier way to remember them.

~든지

Making these words is simple if you just remember **든지**. Take the word that you want to make, for example, "whatever," and first take the word for "what" (뭐), then attach **든지**.

뭐 + 든지 = 든지 "whatever"

저는 **뭐든지** 다 잘 먹어요.

"I can eat whatever."

잘 먹다 literally means "to eat well," but you can also think of it as meaning "to enjoy eating" or "to have no problems eating."

The same goes for the other words, "wherever," "whoever," and "whenever."

어디 + 든지 = 어디든지 "wherever"

어디든지 여행가고 싶어요.

"I want to travel wherever."

누구 + 든지 = 누구든지 "whoever"

누구든지 할 수 있어요.

Although this would literally translate as "Whoever can do it," a better translation for **누구든지** in this case would be "Anyone can do it."

언제 + 든지 = 언제든지 “whenever”

언제든지 전화하세요.

“Call me whenever.”

Advanced Notes

You might also see these words with ~든 instead of ~든지. This is much less common, but has the same meaning.

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!

