

## Lesson 12: (으)세요

In this lesson, you will learn how to use the ending (으)세요 [(eu)-se-yo] to make imperative sentences. Imperative sentences are sentences used to give a command, instruction, or to make a request. By the end of this lesson, you will be able to say things like “Please sit on your seat”, and “Please give me (something).”

### KEY INFORMATION

(으)세요 [(eu)-se-yo] = Imperative ending

Conjugation Rule 1: Verb stem ends in consonant + 으세요

Conjugation Rule 2: Verb stem ends in vowel + 세요

(으)세요 is a polite imperative ending, and so by attaching this ending to a verb stem, it gives the meaning of ‘please do (something)’. To help you understand what we mean, here are some examples:

가다 [ga-da] = *to go*

가세요 [ga-se-yo] = *please go*

앉다 [an-da] = *to sit*

앉으세요 [an-jeu-se-yo] = *please sit*

청소하다 [cheong-so-ha-da] = *to clean*

청소하세요 [cheong-so-ha-se-yo] = *please clean*

### Conjugation Rules

Conjugation Rule	Examples
Verb Stem Ends In Consonant + 으세요	읽으세요 (please read)
Verb Stem Ends In Vowel + 세요	가세요 (please go)

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### 주세요 (Please Give Me)

A very common imperative form that is used is 주세요 [ju-se-yo]. This is made up of the verb 주다 (to give) plus the imperative ending 세요. This can be used in sentences to ask for things in Korean. For example, "Please give me coffee" (커피 주세요), "Please give me money" (돈 주세요), etc.

### Example Sentences

열심히 공부하세요. [yeol-sim-hi gong-bu-ha-se-yo] = *Please study hard.*

책을 펴세요. [chae-geul pyeo-se-yo] = *Please open your book.*

맥주 주세요. [maek-ju ju-se-yo] = *Please give me beer.*

밥 주세요. [bap ju-se-yo] = *Please give me rice.*