

# 10 Motivational Phrases You Need to Write on Your Diary



Hello, everyone! I guess many of you are feeling weak and depressed these days because of Corona Blues. At times like this, I think it is more important to say words of encouragement to yourself. So today we will learn words of encouragement in Korean. How about writing the words you learned from today's video in your diary and encouraging yourself day by day? This will definitely help you overcome depression! Then shall we shout 과이팅 and start learning?

#### 1. 너는 혼자가 아니야. You are not alone.

나 means 'I' or 'me' in and 너 means 'you'. 는 is a particle indicating the subject of the sentence. Depending on the particle following the noun, it can either be a subject or object in a sentence. We already learned the subject markers 은/는/이/가 before.

나는 고양이를 싫어해. I hate cats. ("나는" here is the subject) 민지는 나를 좋아해. 민지 likes me. ("me" here is the object)

#### 2. 네 자신을 믿어. Believe in yourself.

자신 means self or oneself. It can be used to emphasize the preceding noun or pronoun.

너는 너 자신만 생각하는구나. You only think of yourself.

네 자신을 생각해. Think for yourself.

#### 3. 한계란 없어! The sky's the limit.

한계 means limit or boundary of something. Don't limit yourself!

내 인내심도 한계에 다다랐다. I have reached the end of my rope.

그는 자신의 한계를 깨닫고 그 일을 포기했다. He gave up the work realizing his limits.

#### 4. 지금처럼만 해. Keep up the good work.

When 처럼 is attached to a noun, it often indicates that an action is done the way the specified noun does it.

여동생이 치타처럼 뛰고있어요. My sister is running like a cheetah.

By using 처럼, I can indicate that my sister is running "like" the way a Cheetah runs. Here are some other examples of 처럼:

나처럼 like me 예전처럼 like old times 평소처럼 like (as) usual

#### 5. 포기하지 마! Don't give up!

하지마 means "don't" in English. If you simply say 하지마, it means "Don't do it". If you combine '-지마' with other verbs, you can ask or order someone not to do something. Remove '-다' from the end of each verb and add the word '-지마'.

For example, 공부하다 means "to study", then how can you say "don't study"? It's 공부하지 마. How about "don't go"? Do you know what is "to go" in Korean? It's 가다. So to say "don't go" in Korean, it's 가지 마.

교실에서 이야기 하지마. Don't talk in class.

#### 6. 넌 할 수 있어! You can do it!

"수" is a bound noun which indicates the ability to do something. 수 is usually used in front of 있다 or 없다. So 할 수 있다 means "can" and 할 수 없다 means "can't".

I can do it! 난 할 수 있어!



#### 7. 어디든 가치가 있는 곳으로 가려면 지름길은 없다. There are no shortcuts to any place worth going.

어디 means where and 든 has meaning of "ever". So 어디든 means wherever. 언제 means when, and when you put "든" it becomes "언제든" which mean is whenever.

너와 함께라면 어디든 좋아! Any place is okay as long as we are together! 언제든 시간 나면 전화해. Call me whenever you are free.

#### 8. 치지 않은 공은 100% 골인되지 않는다. You miss 100% of the shots you don't take.

If you don't hit the ball, the ball can't ever get into the goal. So it means you can't do anything without any effort.

Let me show you how to read the % in Korean. Even in Korean, percent is pronounced as 퍼센트, however people use the shortened version 프로 a lot.

지수 어디 있는지 알아? Do you know where 지수 is? PC방에 있겠지. Probably at the PC room. 헐 어떻게 알아? How did you know that? 100프로임. I'm 100% sure.

#### 9. 잘 했어! You nailed it!

잘 means "well" and 하다 means "do something". And the past tense of 하다 is 했다.

So 잘 했어 literally means "you did well", more naturally it's "Good job!" You can use "잘 했어" to your friends or someone younger than you. It is a casual expression so it can be somewhat rude if you use it to someone older than you.

나 한국어 시험에 통과했어! I passed the TOPIK test!! 와 대박!! 진짜 잘 했네! Oh my gooood! You nailed it!!

#### 10. 모든 일이 잘 되길 바랄게요. I hope everything goes well.

모든 means "every" and 일 means "things" or "stuff", so 모든 일 means "whole things" or "everything". People also use 모든 것, which literally means "everything".

너의 모든 것을 사랑해! I love every piece of you. 모든 일이 쉽지 않아... Nothing is easy...

## **Practice**

### Please fill the blanks with a proper word.

1. 나는 \_\_\_\_ 바보\_\_\_\_ 사랑했고 내가 가진 \_\_\_\_ 것을 너한테 줬는데, 너는 너 \_\_\_\_만 생각해. 내 인내심의 \_\_\_\_에 다달랐어. 우리 헤어지자.

2. \_\_\_\_ 너를 위해 \_\_\_\_ 갈 수 있어.

3. 담배 건강에 나쁜 거 몰라? 담배 피\_\_\_\_.

4. 오늘 시험 너무 잘 봤어 백\_\_\_\_합격할거야.

5. 시험 잘봤다고? 난 너가 할 \_\_\_\_\_있다는 걸 알고 있었어! 잘했어!

나는 너를 모든 수 어디든

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