

BASIC KOREAN TERMINOLOGY

OPEN AND CLOSE OF CLASS

Charyut	attention
Kuki aye	face the national flags
Kyung yet	salute (hand to the heart)
Baro	return
Sabom-nim aye	face the instructor
Kyung yet	salute (bow to instructor)

NOTE: Nowadays it is customary in Korea to salute the flags with the hand to the heart and to salute the instructor with a bow.

MARTIAL ARTS

Tae kwon do	foot hand way	kicking and striking with the hand and foot
Hap ki do	unity energy way	joint locks and takedowns, with some striking
Yudo (Judo)	gentle way	throws and ground fighting
Sim Mu Do	heart martial way	a blend of all of the above

FORMS TRAINING

Charyut	attention
Kyung yet	salute (bow to instructor)
Joon bi	ready
Shee jak	begin

OTHER TERMS

Do jang	training hall
Chae yook kwan	fitness center (common term for martial arts school in Korea)
Dobok	uniform: do-way bok-clothing
Dee	belt
Gup	grade (for white and colored belt students)
Dan	rank (for black belt holder)

PERSONAL TITLES

Hakseang	student
Taekwondo-in	Taekwondo(ist) practitioner of TKD
Hapkido-in	Hapkido(ist) practitioner of HKD
Yudanja-nim	black belt holder
Sonseang-nim	teacher

- general term for teacher of any subject
- respectful form of the word “you”

Sabom-nim martial arts instructor (in Korea 4th dan and above)

- In the USA a black belt of any level may teach martial arts. Therefore, the title “Sabom-nim” is often used by native Koreans to refer to the martial arts instructor

Kwan jang-nim owner of a martial arts school (in Korea 4th dan and above)

- kwan - derived from the term Chae yook kwan (literally fitness center)
- jang - a suffix term meaning head, chief, or director of
- nim - a respectful suffix added to a person’s title
- The term “kwanjangnim” does not literally mean master. However, because you must be 4th dan or above to own a martial arts school in Korea, this term is often referred to as “master” in English
- In the USA a black belt of any level may own/operate a martial art school. Therefore, the title “kwanjangnim” is often used by native Koreans to refer to the school owner

Chong kwan jang means the “founding” master

Hae jang-nim president or head of an association

- Hae refers to association
- jang - a suffix term meaning head, chief, or director of

Susung-nim Korean term for master instructor (This term is not used very often)

GREETINGS

How are you? Are you at peace? (casual)	Ahn young ha say yo?
How are you? Are you at peace? (formal)	Ahn young ha shim nee kkah?
I'm pleased to meet you;	Pan gahp sum ni da.
Yes (either one is correct)	Ney or Yey
No	Ah nee yo
I am "name"	Chaw nun "name" im ni da.
Thank you.	Kam sa ham ni da.
You are welcome.	Chon man ney yo.
I'll see you again.	Ta shi man ah yo.
Good bye (to the person staying)	Ahn young hee <u>gay</u> ship shi yo.
Good bye (to the person leaving)	Ahn young hee <u>gah</u> ship shi yo.

COUNTING

1 hana
2 dul
3 set
4 net
5 dah sawt
6 yaw sawt
7 ilgop
8 yaw dawl
9 ah hope 10 yawl