

# A/V~기 때문에

For joining clauses with "because"

그 음식이 너무 맵기 때문에 못 먹어요.

I can't eat that food because it's too spicy.

You can attach ~기 때문에 to action verbs and descriptive verbs to say "because of that verb, some result occurs." What follows must be a clause stating what occurred as a result of the first clause.

## ACTION VERBS & DESCRIPTIVE VERBS

~기 때문에 can attach to action verbs and descriptive verbs. It doesn't matter what the last sound of the verb is, simply attach ~기 때문에.

중요하다	→	중요하기 때문에	(because it's important...)
익숙하다	→	익숙하기 때문에	(because I'm used to it...)

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| > 이 시험은 중요하기 때문에 열심히 공부해요. | I study hard because this exam is important.           |
| > 눈이 오기 때문에 학교에 못 가요.      | I can't go to school because it's snowing.             |
| > 스트레스를 받기 때문에 청소하고 있어요.   | I'm cleaning because I'm stressed.                     |
| > 야근하기 때문에 스트레스를 받아요.      | I'm stressed because I'm working overtime.             |
| > 돈이 모자라기 때문에 집을 못 사요.     | I can't buy a house because I don't have enough money. |
| > 시간이 없기 때문에 못 해요.         | I can't do it because I don't have enough time.        |

## SENTENCE ENDING: ~기 때문이에요

You can also end a sentence using "~기 때문이에요."

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| > 열심히 공부해요. 시험은 중요하기 때문이에요. | I'm studying hard. Because the test is important. |
| > 학교에 못 가요. 감기에 걸리기 때문이에요.  | I can't go to school. Because I have a cold.      |
| > 청소하고 있어요. 스트레스를 받기 때문이에요. | I'm cleaning. Because I'm stressed.               |