

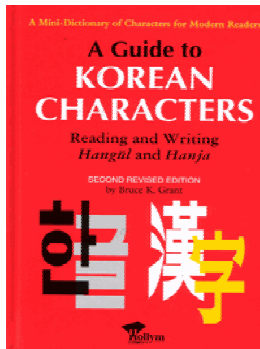
# EAS205 -- REQUIRED/RECOMMENDED TEXTS FOR KOREAN LANGUAGE STUDENTS

## I. Chinese Character (*hanja*) Dictionaries

There are a few useful dictionaries/textbooks for non-native speakers to learn Chinese characters as used in Korean. For most students, the following dictionary—even though it is over thirty years old now—is sufficient:

*A Guide to Korean Characters: Reading and Writing Hangul and Hanja*  
by Bruce K. Grant

size: 19x13cm 367pages. hardcover. publisher: Hollym, 1993.



### About this book

This invaluable mini-dictionary of characters for modern readers includes the following outstanding features:

**1,800 characters arranged in this format.**

- all the characters required in Korean schools
- models showing how to write each character
- 5,000 sample vocabulary words, three per character
- sample words selected on the basis of frequency of use

**Hangul-in-a-hurry-a-fast method to learn the indigenous Korean alphabet**

- hangul-in-a-hurry chart for fast learning

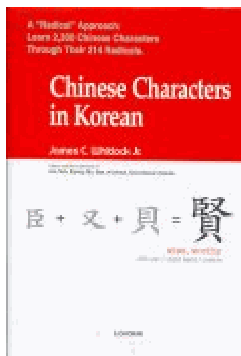
- models showing how to write each letter

- models showing how to make syllables

**Stroke-count, radical and phonetic indices**

**Charts of surnames, simplified hanja, look-alike characters, others**

A more comprehensive, but more difficult to use and more expensive text is:



## *Chinese Characters in Korean*

by James C. Whitlock Jr.

size: 24.6x17.5cm 968pages. hardcover. publisher: Ilchokak, 2001.

A "Radical" Approach: Learn 2,300 Chinese Characters  
Through their 214 Radicals

### Contents

#### I. Lists of Radicals

- Alphabetized by English
- Alphabetized by Dictionary Entry
- Alphabetized by Korean

#### II. Lists of Chinese Characters

- Alphabetized by First Visible Radical (top/left)

- Alphabetized by Korean
- Alphabetized by English
- Alphabetized by Chinese Characters Dictionary Entry

### III. Notes to the Characters

- Chinese Notes

### IV. The Vocabulary Lists

- Alphabetized by Korean
- Alphabetized by English
- Alphabetized by First Chinese Character (Hanja)

There are also *hanja* dictionaries made for native Korean speakers, which are much more comprehensive. It is difficult, however, to buy these in the U.S. unless you go through a store that caters to Korean clientele (see below for “Where does one buy these things?”)

## II. Korean-English Dictionaries

The best Korean-English Dictionary available is the Hyondae Korean-English Dictionary. The bibliographic information for it is as follows:

[教學社現代韓英辭典 = Kyohaksa's hyondae Korean-English dictionary / Kyohaksa hyondae Han-Yong sajon = Kyohaksa's hyondae Korean-English dictionary /](#)

Author: 감수조정규 ; [編者教學社辭書部]. 조성규. ; Cho, Song-gyu.

Publication: 서울 : 教學社, 1998 Soul : Kyohaksa, 1998

This dictionary is also sometimes difficult to find for sale from the U.S.

There are many other Korean-English Dictionaries available—check the internet sources below.

### Where does one buy these things?

Some books are available from amazon.com and/or other similar large internet booksellers. For specifically Korean texts, see:

<http://www.Hollym.com>

<http://www.hanbooks.com>