MISSION 01

WATER, NOT WAR

Alex is thirsty at a busy Korean restaurant. Minji says, “Just ask for water!”



SETTING	NEXT
Restaurant	Continue to page 2.

YOUR GOAL:
What is the safest thing to say to the staff?



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WHAT SHOULD ALEX SAY?

A 야, 물 줘!

B 저기요, 물 좀 주세요.

C 아줌마, 물!

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Choose C? → Turn to page 4.



Alex came for water and accidentally challenged the restaurant.

WRONG ANSWER A

BOSS FIGHT UNLOCKED
(Comic exaggeration.)

야, 물 줘! = “Hey! Give me water!”

“야” and “줘” are very casual and can sound rude to a stranger.

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WRONG ANSWER C

아줌마, 물! = “Lady! Water!”

“아줌마” may sound impolite here, and a one-word command is abrupt.

Minji has entered witness protection behind the menu. (Comic exaggeration.)

ALEX

아줌마, 물!

✗ FRIENDSHIP IN HIDING

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저기요, 물 좀 주세요.

“Excuse me, could I have some water?”

✓ Mission complete!

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CORRECT ANSWER

B

A. 야, 물 줘!

Hey! Give me water! — wrong

B. 저기요, 물 좀 주세요.

Excuse me, could I have some water? — correct!

C. 아줌마, 물!

Lady! Water! — wrong

SUCCESS!

Hydration achieved.
Friendship preserved.

MINJI'S CULTURE NOTE

WATER, NOT WAR

TIP #1	“저기요” is a common, polite way to get someone’s attention.
TIP #2	Some locals say “이모” in casual restaurants, but that is context-dependent; it is not a universal title.
BONUS	The first boss is an empty water glass.
GOT IT!	저기요, 물 좀 주세요.



MINJI: THOSE REACTIONS WERE COMIC EXAGGERATION!