

## **BEBAS** – words to do with ‘free’

\* Dia merasa **bebas** setelah meninggalkan suaminya.

*She felt **free** after leaving her husband.*

\* Hakim **membebaskan** pejabat tinggi negara itu.

*The judge **freed** the high state official.*

\* Pejabat tinggi negara itu **dibebaskan** oleh hakim.

*The high state official **was freed** by the judge.*

\* **Pembebasan** aktivis itu menjadi berita di seluruh dunia.

*The **freeing** of that activist became news all around the world.*

\* Para siswa senior diberi lebih banyak **kebebasan** untuk memilih mata pelajaran.

*Senior students are given more **freedom** to choose their subjects.*

### Notes

\* **bebas** (adj): free, i.e., not constrained.

\* **membebaskan** (v): to set (somebody) free, to liberate (sb.).

\* **pembebasan** (n): the freeing of (somebody), the liberation of (sb.)

[“pembebasan” is the act of “membebaskan”].

\* **kebebasan** (n): freedom [i.e., the state or quality of being “bebas”]

**Practice.** Say it in Indonesian. For each word in bold use a BEBAS word. (Be ready to choose between *membebaskan* and *dibebaskan* as needed.)

1. There was a film about the **liberation** of European countries from Nazism. [with ‘Nazisme’]

2. If you own a laptop, you’re **free** to work anywhere.

3. In those countries there is no **freedom** of religion. [with ‘beragama’]

4. Last month their mother **was** finally **released** from prison.

5. S/he feels much **freer** living in a big city.

6. According to Marx, the **freeing** of the workers must be done by the workers themselves. [with ‘kaum buruh’]

7. All political prisoners in that country will **be freed** this month. [with ‘tahanan’]

8. **Freedom** of the press in that country has improved. [with 'pers']
9. Formerly, feminism was often called the "Women's **Liberation** Movement". [with 'gerakan']
10. They reject the **free** lifestyle of Western countries. [with 'menolak']
11. Did the government violate civil **liberties**? [with 'melanggar']
12. That terrorist group **freed** three hostages. [with 'sandra']