

BERSIH – words to do with ‘clean’

* Bajunya selalu **bersih** dan rapi.

*His clothes are always **clean** and neat.*

* Siapa yang **membersihkan** rumah ini?

*Who **cleans** this house?*

* Rumah ini **dibersihkan** oleh siapa?

*This house **is cleaned** by whom?*

* Di hotel itu **kebersihan** dan pelayanan sangat baik.

*In that hotel the **cleanliness** and service are excellent.*

Notes

* **bersih** (adj): clean, i.e., not dirty

* **membersihkan** (v): to clean (something), to clear (sth.). [i.e., to cause it to be “bersih”]

* **kebersihan** (n): cleanliness [i.e., the state or quality of being ‘bersih’.]

Practice. Say it in Indonesian. For each word in bold use a BERSIH word. (Be ready to choose between *membersihkan* and *dibersihkan* as needed.)

1. They **cleaned** the car engine.

Mereka **membersihkan** mesin mobil.

2. In that city the air is very **clean**.

Di kota itu udaranya sangat **bersih**.

3. That restaurant failed to meet standards of **cleanliness**. [with ‘memenuhi’]

Restoran itu gagal memenuhi standar **kebersihan**.

4. The stove doesn’t need to **be cleaned** every day.

Kompor itu tidak perlu **dibersihkan** tiap hari.

5. [in café] “Can I ask for a **clean** plate?”

“Bisa (saya) minta piring yang **bersih**?”

6. **Cleanliness** of hands is important for health.

Kebersihan tangan itu penting untuk kesehatan.

7. In that village there is no **clean** water to bathe.

Di desa itu tidak ada air **bersih** untuk mandi.

8. Let's maintain the **cleanliness** of the city of Medan! [with 'menjaga']

Mari kita menjaga **kebersihan** kota Medan!

9. Their kitchen **is** rarely **cleaned**.

Dapurnya jarang **dibersihkan**.