

KERJA – words to do with “work”

* Anda **bekerja** sebagai tukang listrik?

*Do you **work** as an electrician?*

* Dia jarang **mengerjakan** tugas seperti itu.

*She rarely **does** tasks like that.*

* Tugas seperti itu jarang **dikerjakannya**.

*Tasks like that **are** rarely **done** by her.*

* Pabrik itu **mempekerjakan** 800 karyawan baru.

*The factory **employed** 800 new employees.*

* 800 karyawan baru **dikerjakan** di pabrik itu.

*800 new employees **were employed** in that factory.*

* Menjadi pelayan toko bukanlah **pekerjaan** yang mudah.

*Being a shop assistant is not an easy **job**.*

* Ribuan **pekerja** kehilangan pekerjaan tahun itu.

*Thousands of **workers** lost their jobs that year.*

Notes

* **bekerja** (v): to work.

* **mengerjakan** (v): to do (something), to perform (sth.), accomplish (sth.)

* **mempekerjakan** (v): to employ (someone)

* **pekerjaan** (n): work, a job.

* **pekerja** (n): a worker. [A ‘pekerja’ does the action of ‘bekerja’.]

Practice. Say it in Indonesian. For each word in bold use a KERJA word. (Be ready to choose between *mengerjakan* and *dikerjakan*, and between *mempekerjakan* and *dipekerjakan*, as needed.)

1. Can foreign **workers** obtain a visa?
2. That factory **employs** under-age children.
3. There are many new **jobs** in the digital era. [with ‘digital’]

4. We **did** our homework.
5. S/he plans to **work** until the age of 65.
6. That boss prefers to **employ** women. [with 'Majikan']
7. How long have you **worked** at that company?
8. S/he has been looking for **work** for a long time.
9. That project **was** not **done** / **executed** well.
10. The number of child **workers** in that region is still high.
11. That **job** is very enjoyable.
12. What duties **are performed** by a household servant? [with 'Tugas']
13. 'Guest **workers**' may only **be hired** for six months. [with 'tamu']
14. Don't **work** too hard!
15. That industry greatly needs skilled **workers**. [with 'terampil']