

Introduction to Indonesian verbs

Answers

1. a) *membutuhkan*
b) *memerlukan*
c) *menulis*
d) *melihat*
e) *mencuci*
f) *mendengarkan*
g) *menyurati*
h) *menggoreng*
i) *mengirim*
j) *menjahit*
k) *merekam*

2. (i) *lihat* d) *melihat*
(ii) *perlu* b) *memerlukan*
(iii) *tulis* c) *menulis*
(iv) *cuci* e) *mencuci*
(v) *butuh* a) *membutuhkan*
(vi) *surat* g) *menyurati*
(vii) *dengar* f) *mendengarkan*
(viii) *rekam* k) *merekam*
(ix) *goreng* h) *menggoreng*
(x) *jahit* j) *menjahit*
(xi) *kirim* i) *mengirim*

3. a) The prefix becomes *men~* and the 't' is dropped.
b) The prefix becomes *mem~* and the 'p' is dropped.*
c) The prefix becomes *me~* and the 'l' remains. It is not dropped.
d) The prefix becomes *mem~* and the 'b' remains. It is not dropped.
e) The prefix becomes *men~* and the 'd' remains. It is not dropped.
f) The prefix becomes *meny~* and the 's' is dropped.
g) The prefix becomes *meng~* and the 'g' remains. It is not dropped.
h) The prefix becomes *meng~* and the 'k' is dropped.
i) The prefix becomes *men~* and the 'c' remains. It is not dropped.
j) The prefix becomes *men~* and the 'j' remains. It is not dropped.
k) The prefix becomes *me~* and the 'r' remains. It is not dropped.

* There are exceptions such as *punya* which does not drop the 'p': *mempunyai*. You will find exceptions like these also apply to bases beginning with other letters. It is a matter of learning and remembering them individually.