

What do you usually do on weekends?

ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY

To ask someone what they do on certain days, during the week or on weekends, we often use what are called adverbs of frequency. These adverbs can also be used in the responses to these questions.

Some examples of adverbs of frequency are:

<i>biasanya</i>	usually
<i>kadang-kadang</i>	sometimes
<i>sering</i>	often
<i>selalu</i>	never
<i>tidak pernah</i>	always

In Learning Object 3: 'What do you think of Jakarta?' you heard someone asking about what people usually do on weekends with the question:

*Ibu **biasanya** melakukan kegiatan apa saja pada akhir minggu?* What do you usually do on weekends?

Notice the structure:

Subject	Adverb of frequency	Verb	Object	Adverbial phrase of time
<i>Ibu</i>	<i>biasanya</i>	<i>melakukan</i>	<i>kegiatan apa saja</i>	<i>pada akhir minggu?</i>

In this example:

- *melakukan* is a verb meaning 'to do'
- *kegiatan* is a noun meaning 'activity'
- *apa saja* is a phrase meaning 'what various things'

Position:

In Indonesian, adverbs of frequency usually come after the subject.

For example:

*Kamu **biasanya** melakukan kegiatan apa saja pada hari Sabtu?* What do you usually do on Saturdays?
*Saya **kadang-kadang** bermain tenis pada hari Sabtu.* I sometimes play tennis.

NOTE:

When someone asks a question using *apa saja*, it implies that they are expecting you to have done more than one activity. However, you may still only state one activity in your response.



Exercises



1. Read about what *Edi*, *Nina*, *Joni* and *Yuli* do on weekends. Then write each of their names next to the category of activities listed in the table below according to whether they do these activities 'usually' or 'sometimes'.

For example, if someone does something with their children, write their name next to the '*keluarga*' (family) category. As each person may mention more than one activity, you may need to write their name against more than one category.

Edi: Pada hari Sabtu saya biasanya berbelanja. Kadang-kadang saya pergi ke taman pada hari Minggu bersama anak-anak saya. Mereka suka bermain di taman.

Nina: Pada hari Sabtu saya kadang-kadang bermain sepak bola. Pada hari Minggu saya biasanya pergi ke mal bersama teman.

Joni: Pada akhir minggu saya kadang-kadang bermain musik. Kadang-kadang saya pergi ke rumah ibu dan bapak.

Yuli: Pada hari Sabtu saya biasanya di rumah saja. Pada hari minggu saya kadang-kadang berjalan-jalan di kota.

Kegiatan	Biasanya	Kadang-kadang
Olahraga		
Jalan-jalan		
Berbelanja		
Musik		
Teman-teman		
Keluarga		
Lain		



2. **Kamu melakukan kegiatan apa saja pada akhir minggu?**

Read the list of activities below. Then write the name of each activity under the appropriate heading according to how frequently you do them. Refer to the vocabulary list on Page 3 for help.

berbelanja *menonton filem* *berjalan-jalan* *main ke rumah teman*
mancing *pergi ke kota* *main olahraga* *pergi ke perpustakaan*
belajar *berlatih musik* *naik perahu* *menonton olahraga*

Selalu / Biasanya	Sering	Kadang kadang	Jarang	Tidak pernah

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3. Now choose five activities, preferably one from each column in the table in Exercise 2, and write complete Indonesian sentences in answer to the question:
Kamu melakukan kegiatan apa saja pada akhir minggu?

Example:

Kamu melakukan kegiatan apa saja pada akhir minggu?

- *Saya biasanya berbelanja pada akhir minggu.*

- *Saya tidak pernah mancing pada akhir minggu.*

Kamu melakukan kegiatan apa saja pada akhir minggu?

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

Vocabulary:

berbelanja

go shopping

berjalan-jalan

go travelling about

mancing

fishing

main ke rumah teman

go to a friend's house

pergi ke kota

go to the city

pergi ke perpustakaan

go to the library

belajar

do study

berlatih musik

practise music

naik perahu

go boating

selalu

always

sering

often

jarang

rarely

tidak pernah

never

lain

other