

# Pemberdayaan Perempuan Kulit Hitam dalam Lagu "Forward" dan "Freedom" dalam Album Lemonade (Oleh Beyonce) = Black Female empowerment in beyonce's "Foreward" and "Freedom" in Lemonade (2016): a Semiotic analysis

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Black female empowerment merupakan sebuah bentuk pergerakan yang bersinggungan dengan permasalahan ras dan identitas gender. Beyonc ndash;artis perempuan kulit hitam yang dikenal merangkul identitas rasnya ndash;memproduksi lagu ldquo;Forward rdquo; dan ldquo;Freedom rdquo;. Dua lagu bermuatan politis dalam albumnya, Lemonade, dirilis pada tahun 2016. ldquo;Forward rdquo; berfokus pada kasus kebrutalan polisi terhadap warga negara berkulit hitam yang marak terjadi sejak tahun 2014, sedangkan ldquo;Freedom rdquo; berfokus pada pemberdayaan perempuan kulit hitam untuk bergerak melawan penindasan terhadap mereka. Dalam penelitian ini dilakukan analisis terhadap motif Black female empowerment dengan menganalisis lirik dan video musik untuk menemukan mitos di balik gerakan tersebut dengan menggunakan teori semiotik Roland Barthes. Temuan-temuan dalam analisis lagu ldquo;Forward rdquo; menunjukkan bagaimana orang kulit hitam, terutama perempuan kulit hitam, dianggap tidak berdaya. Diskusi antara semua orang dari berbagai ras untuk menemukan solusi untuk menghentikan diskriminasi ras sangat dibutuhkan. Adapun temuan-temuan dalam analisis lagu ldquo;Freedom rdquo; menunjukkan bahwa kesempatan bagi perempuan kulit hitam untuk maju berbicara merupakan hal yang dapat diperoleh sekarang, dan mereka akan didukung oleh sesama perempuan kulit hitam.

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