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## keen adjective

- P1 **attr** I am a *keen* gardener. • The public has a *keen* interest in seeing justice done.
- P2 **pred** Does your dad want you to have like a career at the end of your degree? – Yeah. Yeah. Right. But your mum's not so *keen*. (only if clear from context)
- She is very *keen*. (= enthusiastic)
- P3 **+ to-INF/ to** (> 30%) The point, I think, not always appreciated by everyone is that Europe is as *keen* to have the United Kingdom in the centre of the debate as we are to be there. • They're particularly *keen* to talk to passengers who are travelling on a train that was at the station shortly after the shootings. • In between there was all the opportunity I needed to hang around Gallagher while he investigated. I wasn't *keen* to.
- P4 **+ that-CL** Derek Pavis, County's chairman, is *keen* that his team should play football more in the Forest mould.
- P5 **+ about N/V-ing** Bess was none too *keen* about the trip. • Leonie Rickard said parents at many small schools in the Granite Belt were "very *keen*" about withdrawing their children. •

- I sat down, not too *keen* about hearing another story but out of politeness.
- P6 **+ for N/for N to-INF** This was one of Haig's pet aversions: the cavalry officer so *keen* for glory that he loses sight of his responsibilities as a leader. • So salon owners have money to spend and architects and interior designers, who are suffering, are *keen* for the work. • The West German Chancellor, Helmut Kohl, is *keen* for the Community to accept some responsibility for the rescue of the Soviet economy. • She is *keen* for me to leave.
- P7 **+ on N/V-ing (frequent)** Other countries are *keen* on trains like the TGV and Japan's Shinkansen or bullet train. • Recently, however, I met somebody through my work who I'm really *keen* on. • It is at least possible, if not probable, that Quebec and indeed the whole of Canada would be more interesting and more intellectually fertile if Quebecers were less *keen* on preserving their culture and more *keen* on making a new one by fusing their inheritance with that of others.

### A person can be keen

- (i) **on, about, or for something or keen to do something**, i.e. eager to do it.
- (ii) **keen that something should happen in the future**, i.e. eager that it should happen.

## keep verb

A 'remain'				
Active: 1/2				
I obl	[N] <sub>A</sub>			
II	[ADJ]		D2	
III	[to N]		D4	
B 'retain'				
Active: 2/3    Passive: 1/3				
I	[N] <sub>A</sub> / [by N]			
II	[N] <sub>P-2</sub> <i>ÆFFECTED</i>	D1		T1.5.7
III	[N] <sub>P-1</sub> <i>BEN/REC</i>			T1
	[to N]			T7
IV	[for N]			T5
C 'have'				
Active: 2/2    Passive: 1/2				
I	[N] <sub>A</sub> / [by N]			
II obl	[N] <sub>P</sub>		D1	

D 'remain'				
Active: 2/3    Passive: 1/3				
I	[N] <sub>A</sub> / [by N]			
	[V-ing] <sub>A</sub>			T1-2.6
	[that-CL] <sub>A</sub>			T2-3.6
	[to-INF] <sub>A</sub>			T2.6
II	[N] <sub>P</sub>	D1		T1-4.6.8
	[it + pattern of III]			T1-2
III	[N]			T1
	[ADJ]			T2
IV	[V-ing]			T3
V	[at N]			T4
VI	[from N/V-ing]	D6		T6
VII	[ADV] <sub>↔</sub>			T8
E 'continue'				
Active: 2/2				
I obl	[N] <sub>A</sub>			
II obl	[V-ing]		D3	
	[at N]		D5	
Further uses				
	[to REFL PRON]		D7	