

Be+Adjective+Preposition+Noun Phrase/Clause

1. List of common adjectives and the prepositions that normally follow them

accustomed to	afraid of	answerable to	attached to
aware of	capable of	dependent on	different to
doubtful about	enthusiastic about	excited about	famous for
fond of	guilty of	interested in	keen on
opposed to	pleased with	popular with	proud of
related to	rich in	satisfied with	serious about
similar to	suitable for	suspicious of	used to (= accustomed to)

2. Some adjectives can be followed by either of two or more prepositions

annoyed about something - The Ministry was annoyed about criticism in the paper.

annoyed with someone - They were annoyed with us for charging them.

good/bad at something - I'm very bad at mathematics.

good/bad for something - The expected cut in interest will be good for industry.

good/bad with something - She should be in Marketing. She's very good with customers.

responsible to someone - The Export Manager is responsible to the Sales Director.

responsible for something - He is responsible for preparing handouts.

sorry about something - I am sorry about the job. It's a shame you didn't get it.

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sorry for *doing something* - He said he was sorry for keeping me waiting.

(feel) **sorry for** *someone* - I feel very sorry for Peter. He has been fired.

3. These combinations of adjectives with prepositions may be followed by noun or noun phrase.

The students were very excited about the results of the experiment.

4. When followed by a verb, the -ing form must be used.

Please let me know whether you would be interested in arranging a meeting.