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Keith's inability to grow.

The references to Keith being frozen and bound in this chapter refer to Keith's inner turmoil that he's going through with him being rejected by the girl he likes and also trying to truly understand himself. Through this chapter Keith loses himself as shown in the woods where he sees the body parts of someone and learns how to accept things in life and move on when Keith reaches the campsite and loads the events of the day. Being frozen bound also means that he is unable to move on and that he's stuck in the past unmoving because he feels like he can't move on.

When Todd tells Keith that Chris is gone he's referring to Chris not only leaving physically but in the sense that he's no longer one of the single guys anymore, Chris has continued to move on in his life unlike Keith which makes Keith upset because that could have been Keith if he didn't get rejected. Todd seeing the mood Keith is in responds with "You never had anything goin' with her in the first place". Todd didn't mean to further hurt Keith by saying that but get Keith to realize that there will be other girls that will come around and he will be able to fall in love again and that this isn't the end of the world. Keith leaves to go to the bathroom where he thinks about how things could have been if he was in a relationship right now, not only does this hurt Keith even more he loses the will to stay at the party. This is another scene where Keith shows how he's frozen in his past unable to move, Keith can't move past the fact that he couldn't get a girl's first crush to like him back enough to go out with him and hearing his friend in the other room only made it worse for him and it made Keith envy his friend for the life that he's living. Keith then leaves the house and heads towards the forest where he thinks he's seeing dead body parts all over the place, this could be a reference to Keith not feeling like himself like this version of him isn't real and that the things that are happening to him are all just in his head. When Keith starts running he's actually running away from himself or the self that he thinks he is, Keith is trying to get out of this nightmare that he's currently living in the sense of bound to some foreign body and frozen, not able to come out of this nightmare until he stumbles across a group of strangers. When he gets to this random group of people he tells them everything that's happened the day and he feels a weight lift off of himself like he's finally coming to terms about the day's events and how he can move past everything that's happened, throughout the whole chapter you can tell Keith didn't look happy his face seemed to show enjoyment only because his friends were with him and that's it but at the end of the chapter when the weight is lifted off of him you can see the change in body language with Keith it's like he starts to relax around this group of strangers who don't

know him but are earnestly listening to his story. Even after he finishes telling the group what he says they didn't judge him and even let Keith stay with the group, and when Keith was asked if he wanted to leave he said no instead he would rather stay there with them.

Keith being frozen and bound in this chapter tell us that Keith as a character is person that is Keith dwells in the past a lot and wants things to stay the same but also that he is insecure within his relationship that he has, he's afraid that things will no longer be what they use to be and that scares him because he's comfortable with where he is in his life and doesn't like it when things don't go the way he planned.