

retain [rɪ'teɪn] *v*

- удерживать; сдерживать; поддерживать**
 a dike to retain the waters - плотина для сдерживания воды
 this vessel won't retain water - этот сосуд пропускает воду
 to retain in custody - *юр.* содержать под стражей /в тюрьме/
- сохранять**
 to retain the use of one's faculties - сохранить свои способности
 to retain the power - удержать власть
 to retain control over smth. - сохранить контроль над чем-л.
 to retain hold of smth. - удержать что-л.
 to retain a hold - удержать захват (*борьба*)
 to retain a hold on smb.'s affection - продолжать пользоваться чьей-л. привязанностью
 he still retains his sight - он ещё хорошо видит
 the hills, the forests and the rivers still retain their old Celtic names - холмы, леса и реки всё ещё сохраняют старые кельтские названия
- помнить, хранить в памяти**
 I cannot retain these distinctions - я не могу запомнить эти различия
- приглашать, нанимать (*особ. адвоката*)**

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re-tain **AW** [retain retains retained retaining] **BrE** [rɪ'teɪn] ^o **NAmE** [rɪ'teɪn] ^o

verb (rather formal)

1. ~ **sth** to keep sth; to continue to have sth

Syn: ↑preserve

- to retain your independence
- He struggled to retain control of the situation.
- The house retains much of its original charm.
- She retained her tennis title for the third year.

2. ~ **sth** to continue to hold or contain sth

- a soil that retains moisture
- This information is no longer retained within the computer's main memory.
- (*figurative*) She has a good memory and finds it easy to retain facts.

3. ~ **sb/sth** (*law*) if a member of the public retains sb such as a lawyer, he or she pays money regularly or in advance so the lawyer, etc. will do work for him or her

- a retaining fee
- to retain the services of a lawyer

see also ↑retention, ↑retentive

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we /they	retain
	BrE /rɪˈteɪn/
	NAmE /rɪˈteɪn/
he / she /it	retains
	BrE /rɪˈteɪnz/
	NAmE /rɪˈteɪnz/
past simple, past participle	retained
	BrE /rɪˈteɪnd/
	NAmE /rɪˈteɪnd/
-ing form	retaining
	BrE /rɪˈteɪnɪŋ/
	NAmE /rɪˈteɪnɪŋ/

Word Origin:

late Middle English: via Anglo-Norman French from Old French **retenir**, from Latin **retinere**, from **re-** 'back' + **tenere** 'hold'.

Example Bank:

- He has successfully retained his position as national president of the society.
- He was allowed to retain his parliamentary seat.
- Her new music largely retains the distinctiveness of the old.
- The immigrants have a right to retain their language.
- The president retained her as his chief adviser.
- Please retain your ticket stub during the event
- Residents of the home are able to retain their independence.
- She has retained her title for the third year.
- These plants will need a soil that retains moisture during the summer months.
- This information is no longer retained within the computer's main memory.
- You will be paid a retaining fee.
- You will need to retain the services of a lawyer.

retainre **tain** **W2 AC** /rɪ'teɪn/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ verb [transitive] *formal*

[Word Family: verb: ↑retain; noun: ↑retention]

[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: retenir, from Latin retinere, from tenere 'to hold']

1. to keep something or continue to have something:

- You have the right to retain possession of the goods.
- The state wants to retain control of food imports.

REGISTERIn everyday English, people usually say **keep** rather than **retain**:

- Keep all your receipts.
2. to store or keep something inside something else:
- A lot of information can be retained in your computer.
 - Limestone is known to retain moisture.
3. to remember information:
- I find it very difficult to retain facts.
4. if you retain a lawyer or other specialist, you pay them to work for you now and in the future:
- He has retained a lawyer to challenge the court's decision.
 - We had to pay a retaining fee (=an amount of money to keep someone working for you).
5. if a company retains workers, it continues to employ them for a long time:
- It's increasingly difficult to recruit and retain good staff.

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