

***ainahô** Runic: 𐌱𐌰𐌶𐌵𐌹𐌿 Pronunciation: /'aj.na.xɔː/

adjective · an/in-stem

Meanings

only, single, sole; used as a limiting weak adjective, ‘the only one, the sole X’

Etymology

From Proto-Indo-European **h₁óyno-ko-*, an adjectival/intensive **-ko-* derivative of **h₁óy-no-s*. Cognate or closely parallel formations include Latin *ūnicus* and Old Church Slavonic *инокъ* (*inokŭ*) (Dunkel 2014: 589; Kroonen 2013: 11). Related to **ainaz* and to the parallel adjective **ainagaz*.

Declension

Strong declension only.

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Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	ainahô	ainahī	ainahô	ainahaniz	ainahīniz	ainahōnō
Acc.	ainahanu	ainahīnu	ainahô	ainahanunz	ainahīnunz	ainahōnō
Gen.	ainahiniz	ainahīniz	ainahiniz	ainahanô	ainahīnô	ainahanô
Dat.	ainahini	ainahīni	ainahini	ainahammaz	ainahīmaz	ainahammaz
Inst.	ainahinē	ainahīnē	ainahinē	ainahammiz	ainahīmiz	ainahammiz

Weak declension

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Gen.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dat.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inst.	-	-	-	-	-	-

Descendants

***ainahō** (Proto-West Germanic)

ā**nga**, æ**nga** (Old English)

e**inga** (Old Norse)

eng**a**, æng**a** (Old Swedish)

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