

***anþa** Runic: ᚦ ᚦ ᚦ ᚦ Pronunciation: /'an.θǣ/

noun · neuter · a-stem

Meanings

breath

Etymology

From pre-Germanic **h₂enh₁-to-m*, a neuter deverbal **-tó-* formation from Proto-Indo-European **h₂enh₁-* (Rix et al. 2001: 267–268; Wodtko et al. 2008: 307–10). The simplex is chiefly evidenced by **uzanþa* > Proto-West Germanic **uranþ* > Old English *orop* and the derivative **anþijanq* (Seebold 1970: 78–79). The root is also reflected in Sanskrit अनिति (*ániti*), Ancient Greek ἄνεμος (*ánemos*), Latin *anima*, and Proto-Celtic **anatlā* (Matasović 2009a: 35; Rix et al. 2001: 267–268).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	anþa	anþō
Acc.	anþa	anþō
Gen.	anþas, anþis	anþō
Dat.	anþai	anþamaz
Inst.	anþō	anþamiz
Voc.	anþa	anþō

Descendants

*(**ur**)anþ (Proto-West Germanic)
| **oroþ** (Old English)

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