

***apaliǵa** Runic: 𐌱𐌰𐌶𐌹𐌿𐌰𐌿𐌰 Pronunciation: /'a.pa.li.jǣ/

noun · neuter · ja-stem

Meanings

1. apple
2. fruit resembling or otherwise classed with an apple

Etymology

From the Germanic ‘apple’ stem **apal-* beside **apla-* (cf. **aplaz*) + **(i)ǵa*, forming a secondary North Germanic neuter *ja*-stem. The immediate reconstruction is uncertain: Mees (2022b: 10) gives **apaliǵa*, while Kroonen (2013: 31–32) and Wodtko and colleagues (2008: 262) reconstruct **apliǵa*- (cf. alternative **apliǵa*); Cheung and Aydemir (2015: 84) explain the *ja*-stem as originating in a former collective plural. Ultimately from the Indo-European apple word **h₂ébōl/*h₂ébǵ*, cognate with Old Irish *ubull* and Lithuanian *obuolys* (Wodtko et al. 2008: 262–66) (for a full treatment on the Celtic cognates, see Stifter (2019: 176)).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	apaliǵa	apaliǵō
Acc.	apaliǵa	apaliǵō
Gen.	apaliǵas, apaliṣ	apaliǵô
Dat.	apaliǵai	apaliǵamaz
Inst.	apaliǵō	apaliǵamiz
Voc.	apaliǵa	apaliǵō

Descendants

epli (Old Norse)

epl, **epli** (Faroese)

epli (Icelandic)

eple (Norwegian Nynorsk)

epli (Old Norse)

æplæ (Old Danish)

æble (Danish)

eple (Norwegian Bokmål)

epli (Old Norse)

æple (Old Swedish)

äpple (Swedish)

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