

***aunōnā** Runic: ᚱᚢᚳᚢᚳᚢᚱ Pronunciation: /'aʊ.nɔ:.nǣ/

verb · Weak class 2

Meanings

to lamb, yean; to bring forth a lamb

Etymology

From **aunaz* + **-ōnā*, literally ‘to produce a lamb’. The reconstruction is supported by Old English *ēanian*, whose attested forms clearly show Weak class 2 inflection, together with Dutch, Frisian, Low German, and Swedish reflexes. Stiles ([Stiles 2018: 250](#)) notes that the underlying noun **aunaz* is independently presupposed by Old English *ge-ēan* and apparently directly continued by Swedish dialectal *ön* in *vara i ön*, providing additional evidence for the nominal base of the verb. For more on the somewhat controversial etymology, see **aunaz*.

Conjugation

Present active

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
1st singular	aunō	aunō	—
2nd singular	aunōsi	aunōs	aunō
3rd singular	aunōpi	aunō	aunōpau
1st dual	aunōs	aunōw	—
2nd dual	aunōpiz	aunōpiz	aunōpiz
1st plural	aunōmaz	aunōm	—
2nd plural	aunōp	aunōp	aunōp
3rd plural	aunōnpi	aunōn	aunōnpau

Present passive

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	aunōi	—
2nd singular	aunōsai	aunōsau
3rd singular	aunōpai	aunōpau
1st dual	—	—
2nd dual	—	—
1st plural	aunōnpai	aunōnpau
2nd plural	aunōnpai	aunōnpau
3rd plural	aunōnpai	aunōnpau

Past

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	aunōdō	aunōdēdī
2nd singular	aunōdēz	aunōdēdīz
3rd singular	aunōdē	aunōdēdī
1st dual	aunōdēdū	aunōdēdīw
2nd dual	aunōdēdudiz	aunōdēdīdiz
1st plural	aunōdēdum	aunōdēdīm
2nd plural	aunōdēdud	aunōdēdīd
3rd plural	aunōdēdun	aunōdēdīn

Non-finite Forms

Infinitive	Present Participle	Past Participle
aunōnā	aunōndz	aunōdaz

Descendants

*aunōn (Proto-West Germanic)

 *ōnon (Old Dutch)

 oonen (Middle Dutch)

 onen (Dutch)

*aunōn (Proto-West Germanic)

 ēanian (Old English)

 enen, einde, enyen, enyn (Middle English)

 ean (English)

 eenie (Scots)

*aunōn (Proto-West Germanic)

 *ānia (Old Frisian)

 bejāne (Saterland Frisian)

 eandsje, inje, antsje (West Frisian)

***aunōn** (Proto-West Germanic)

| ***ōnon** (Old Saxon)

| | ***ōnen** (Middle Low German)

| | | **oone** (North Frisian)

***auna** (Old Norse)

| **åina** (Gutnish)

***auna** (Old Norse)

| **öna** (Old Swedish)

| | **öna** (Swedish)

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Related Words

Words mentioned in this entry

*-**ōną** suffix ***aunaz** noun