

verb · Strong class 7b

Meanings

to scoop up, to draw (a liquid); to pour or sprinkle

Etymology

From Proto-Indo-European **h₂ews-*, probably through a secondary full-grade thematic present **h₂ews-e/o-* formed in pre-Germanic (Kroonen 2013: 43, s.v. *ausan-*; Rix et al. 2001: 275–76, s.v. *h₂eus-*). The inherited PIE present was probably zero-grade **h₂us-yé/ó-*, reflected in Palaic  (*huššinta*) (Hansen 2015: 55) ; LIV² treats the e-grade thematic formation continued by Germanic as an innovation (Rix et al. 2001: s.v. *h₂eus-*, 275–76). Cognate with Latin *hauriō*, reflecting analogically full-grade **h₂ews-yé/ó-* and showing secondary, probably hypercorrect *h-* (de Vaan 2008: s.v. *hauriō*, 281; Zair 2025: 230); compare Ancient Greek *ἀφύσσω* (*aphússō*) (Beekes 2010: 180).

Conjugation

Present active

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
1st singular	ausō	ausaŭ	–
2nd singular	ausizi	ausaiz	aus
3rd singular	ausidi	ausai	ausadau
1st dual	ausōz	ausaiw	–
2nd dual	ausadiz	ausaidiz	ausadiz
1st plural	ausamaz	ausaim	–
2nd plural	ausid	ausaid	ausid
3rd plural	ausandi	ausain	ausandau

Present passive

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	ausai	–
2nd singular	ausazai	ausaizau
3rd singular	ausadai	ausaidau
1st dual	–	–
2nd dual	–	–
1st plural	ausandai	ausaindau
2nd plural	ausandai	ausaindau
3rd plural	ausandai	ausaindau

Past

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	eaus	eauzī
2nd singular	eaust	eauzīz
3rd singular	eaus	eauzī
1st dual	eauzū	eauzīw
2nd dual	eauzudiz	eauzīdiz
1st plural	eauzum	eauzīm
2nd plural	eauzud	eauzīd
3rd plural	eazun	eauzīn

Non-finite Forms

Infinitive	Present Participle	Past Participle
ausanaȝ	ausandz	auzanaz

Descendants

***ausan** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***ōsan** (Old Dutch)

ōsen (Middle Dutch)

hozen (Dutch)

***ausan** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***ōsan** (Old High German)

ōsen (Middle High German)

***ausan** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***ōsan** (Old Saxon)

ōsen (Middle Low German)

ausa (Old Norse)

eysa (Faroese)

ausa (Icelandic)

ausa (Old Norse)

øse (Danish)

oysa (Faroese)

øse (Norwegian Bokmål)

ausa (Old Norse)

ausa (Norwegian Nynorsk)

ause (Norwegian Bokmål)

ausa (Old Norse)

ōsa (Old Swedish)

ösa (Swedish)

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