

***baitaz** Runic: 𐌲𐌿𐌰𐌿𐌵 Pronunciation: /'baj.taz/

noun · masculine · a-stem

Meanings

boat, ship

Etymology

From Proto-Indo-European **bʰóyd-o-s*, from **bʰeyd-* ('to break, split'). ([Kroonen 2013](#)) posits that the word originally referred to a small nautical vessel made of a tree, hollowed (i.e. split) like a dugout canoe. The monophthong versions are all likely loans from Old English. Likely related to **bitana* ('to bite').

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	baitaz	baitōz, baitōs
Acc.	baitą	baitanz
Gen.	baitas, baitis	baitō
Dat.	baitai	baitamaz
Inst.	baitō	baitamiz
Voc.	bait	baitōz, baitōs

Descendants

***bait** (Proto-West Germanic)

***bēt** (Old Dutch)

***beitil** (Old Dutch)

beitel (Middle Dutch)

***bait** (Proto-West Germanic)

bāt (Old English)

battus (Latin)

batel (Old French)

bátr (Old Norse)

bad (Welsh)

***bait** (Proto-West Germanic)

bāt (Old English)

bot, bate, bat, bote, boot, boet, boyt, bootte, boote (Middle English)

bot (Catalan)

bote (Galician)

bööťj (North Frisian)

Boot (Saterland Frisian)

bate, bait (Scots)

boat (West Frisian)

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boot (Middle Dutch)

boot (Dutch)

boot (Afrikaans)

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bot, bate, bat, bote, boot, boet, boyt, bootte, boote (Middle English)

bôt, bott (Middle Low German)

Boot (German)

Boot (Low German)

Boot (Plautdietsch)

beit (Old Norse)

beit (Icelandic)

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