

***basja** Runic: 𐌲𐌰𐌶𐌰𐌴𐌹 Pronunciation: /'bas.jã/

noun · neuter · ja-stem

Meanings

berry; a small fruit, of any one of many varieties

Etymology

Uncertain; perhaps from a pre-Indo-European substrate word. Otherwise, outside of Proto-Germanic, it may be related to Proto-Indo-European **b^heh₂-* (‘to shine, glisten’) or to Sanskrit बभस्ति (*babhasti*) (babhasti, ‘to chew, eat’), from Proto-Indo-European **b^hes-*. However, also compare Latin *fascis* (‘bundle’).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	basja	basjō
Acc.	basja	basjō
Gen.	basjas, basis	basjô
Dat.	basjai	basjamaz
Inst.	basjō	basjamiz
Voc.	basja	basjō

Descendants

*basi, *basu (Proto-West Germanic)

basu, baso (Old English)

***basi, *basu** (Proto-West Germanic)

***besi** (Old Dutch)

bese, bes, beze, bezie (Middle Dutch)

bes, bees, bezie (Dutch)

𐍹𐍺𐍴𐍶𐍳𐍰 (weinabasi) (Gothic)

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