

***blīwija** Runic:  Pronunciation: /'bli:.wi.jǣ/

noun · neuter · ja-stem

Meanings

lead (metal)

Etymology

Uncertain. Possibly a secondary neuter ja-stem built from the Proto-Germanic stem *blīw- underlying *blīwą ‘color, hue; lead-grey appearance’. The derivative would originally have meant something like ‘lead-colored substance’ or ‘that which is of lead-grey hue’, hence ‘lead’. Possibly related to *blēwaz (‘blue’), given the semantics.

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	blīwija	blīwijō
Acc.	blīwija	blīwijō
Gen.	blīwijas, blīwīs	blīwijô
Dat.	blīwijai	blīwijamaz
Inst.	blīwijō	blīwijamiz
Voc.	blīwija	blīwijō

Descendants

*blīwī (Proto-West Germanic)

***bli** (Old Dutch)

bli (Middle Dutch)

blij, blei (Dutch)

blie (Limburgish)

***bliwī** (Proto-West Germanic)

***bli** (Old Frisian)

Bläi (Saterland Frisian)

***bliwī** (Proto-West Germanic)

blīo, bliwo, blīoh (Old High German)

bli (Middle High German)

Blei (German)

Bläi (Luxembourgish)

בלײַ (blay) (Yiddish)

***bliwī** (Proto-West Germanic)

blī, blīo, blīu, *blig (Old Saxon)

blī, blig, blige (Middle Low German)

Blie (Plautdietsch)

***bliwī** (Proto-West Germanic)

blī, blīo, blīu, *blig (Old Saxon)

blī, blig, blige (Middle Low German)

***bli** (Middle English)

bligeter (Middle English)

blý (Old Norse)

blýggj, blý (Faroese)

blý (Icelandic)

bly (Norwegian)

blý (Old Norse)

blȳ (Old Danish)

bly (Danish)

blý (Old Norse)

blȳ (Old Swedish)

lyijy (Finnish)

bly (Swedish)

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