

***bregdana** Runic:  Pronunciation: /'brey.ðɑ.nã/

verb · Strong class 3

Meanings

to flicker, flutter, jerk, tug (on), twitch, flinch, move, swing

Etymology

Likely from Proto-Indo-European **b^hrék-d^h-e/o-*, a **-d^h-*extension of *b^hrék-e/o-* (> **brehana* ‘to flicker, glitter; light up; blink’) ([Lehmann 1942: 128](#)). Ultimately from root **b^hrék-* ‘to shine’. Possibly related to **braguz* ‘one who is first or foremost, a premier, chief, leader, prince’).

Conjugation

Present active

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
1st singular	bregdō	bregdaų	–
2nd singular	brigdizi	bregdaiz	bregd
3rd singular	brigdidi	bregdai	bregdadau
1st dual	bregdōz	bregdaiw	–
2nd dual	bregdadiz	bregdaidiz	bregdadiz
1st plural	bregdamaz	bregdaim	–
2nd plural	brigdid	bregdaid	brigdid
3rd plural	bregdandi	bregdain	bregdandau

Present passive

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	bregdai	–
2nd singular	bregdazai	bregdaizau
3rd singular	bregdadaï	bregdaïdau
1st dual	–	–
2nd dual	–	–
1st plural	bregdandai	bregdaïndau
2nd plural	bregdandai	bregdaïndau
3rd plural	bregdandai	bregdaïndau

Past

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	bragd	brugdī
2nd singular	brahst	brugdīz
3rd singular	bragd	brugdī
1st dual	brugdū	brugdīw
2nd dual	brugdudiz	brugdīdiz
1st plural	brugdum	brugdīm
2nd plural	brugdud	brugdīd
3rd plural	brugdun	brugdīn

Non-finite Forms

Infinitive	Present Participle	Past Participle
bregdanā	bregdandz	brugdanaz

Descendants

***bregdan** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***bregdan** (Old Dutch)

breiden (Middle Dutch)

breien (Dutch)

brei (Afrikaans)

***bregdan** (Proto-West Germanic)

bregdan, brēdan (Old English)

breiden, breden (Middle English)

braid (English)

breed, brade, braid, bray (Scots)

***bregdan** (Proto-West Germanic)

breida, brēda, brīda (Old Frisian)

brūjen (North Frisian)

braidje (Saterland Frisian)

breidzje (West Frisian)

***bregdan** (Proto-West Germanic)

brettan (Old High German)

brätten (Middle High German)

bretten (German)

***bregdan** (Proto-West Germanic)

bregdan (Old Saxon)

breiden (Middle Low German)

breien, breiden (Low German)

bregða (Old Norse)

brejde, bebrejde (Danish)

bregða (Faroese)

bregða (Icelandic)

bregħþa (Old Swedish)

bregd, breg, braith, brath (Scots)

***rievtētēk** (Proto-Samic)

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