

***brima** Runic:  Pronunciation: /'bri.mã/

noun · neuter · a-stem

Meanings

surf, the sea; edge

Etymology

From Proto-Indo-European **b^hrem-* (either the, ‘edge, point, spike; sense, or the ‘to roar’ sense’). The raising of PIE /e/ > Proto-Germanic /i/ could point to an original extension or suffix containing a consonant or a laryngeal, as the raising rule necessitates a nasal + consonant. Von ([Friesen 1924](#)) considers the word to have been an original s-stem that was remodeled as an a-stem, and also notes a close relationship to **brezdaz* (‘board, plank, shelf’), which could resolve the vowel issue if this stem originally had an s-extension, ***b^hrem-s-os* or ***b^hrem-s-on*.

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	brima	brimō
Acc.	brima	brimō
Gen.	brimas, brimis	brimô
Dat.	brimai	brimamaz
Inst.	brimō	brimamiz
Voc.	brima	brimō

Descendants

- brim (Old English)
 - brim (Middle English)
 - brim (English)

- brim (Old Norse)
 - brim (Faroese)
 - brim (Icelandic)

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