

***buttaz**¹ Runic: 𐌲𐌿𐌸𐌳𐌰 Pronunciation: /'but.taz/

noun · masculine · a-stem

Meanings

end; piece

Etymology

From pre-Germanic *b^hud^h-n-ó-s from Proto-Indo-European *b^hud^h-mén ~ *b^hud^h-ṃn-és/*b^hud^h-n-és(‘bottom’). According to ([Kroonen 2013](#)), the -m- had been dissimilated in the genitive already in Proto-Indo-European, giving Sanskrit बुध्ना (*budhna*) (budhna, ‘bottom, ground, base, depth, lowest part of anything’) and Latin *fundus* (‘bottom; farm; ground; foundation’), resulting in a Proto-Germanic paradigm of *budm-, *butt- (the -tt- via Kluge’s Law). He also suggests that the root was metathesized from *d^hewb^h-/*d^hub^h- (‘hazy, unclear dark; deep’). Other cognates are Ancient Greek πύθμην (*pūthmén*) (pūthmén, ‘bottom of a cup or jar; the bottom of the sea; trunk, butt of a tree’), Old Armenian անդունդ (andund, ‘abyss, hell’). Related to *butmaz (‘bottom; foundation; ground; abyss’).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	buttaz	buttōz, buttōs
Acc.	butta	buttan
Gen.	buttas, buttis	buttō
Dat.	buttai	buttamaz
Inst.	buttō	buttamiz
Voc.	butt	buttōz, buttōs

Descendants

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

butie (Old Frisian)

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***but**, ***butt** (Old Dutch)

butte, but, bot (Middle Dutch)

bot (Dutch)

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***butt, buttuc, bytt, byt** (Old English)

butte, but (Middle English)

but, butt, buttock (English)

butt (Scots)

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

bot, bout, bote (Old French)

bote (Middle English)

boot (English)

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

bot, bout, bote (Old French)

bute, butte (Middle French)

butte (French)

butte (English)

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***butz, *buz, *butzo, *buzzo** (Old High German)

butze (Middle High German)

Butzen, putzen (German)

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***butt** (Old Saxon)

 ***butt, butken** (Middle Low German)

but (Danish)

butt (Norwegian Bokmål)

butt (Norwegian Nynorsk)

***butt** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***butt** (Old Saxon)

 ***butt, butken** (Middle Low German)

butt, Butte, Bütte (Low German)

Butt, Steinbutt (German)

butr, bútr (Old Norse)

bútur (Icelandic)

butr, bútr (Old Norse)

but (Old French)

but (Middle French)

but (French)

butr, bútr (Old Norse)

buter (Old Swedish)

but (Swedish)

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