

*dugunþō

Runic: 𐌳𐌿𐌸𐌹𐌺𐌰 𐌰

Pronunciation: /'du.ɣun.θɔ:/

noun · feminine · ō-stem

Meanings

1. ability, usefulness, strength
2. virtue, strength of character

Etymology

Possibly from an unattested adjective ***dugunþaz* ('productive, useful, strong') reformulated as an ō-stem, from Proto-Indo-European **dʰéwǵʰ-ont-s* ~ **dʰuǵʰ-nt-és*, from **dʰewǵʰ-* ('to hit; produce; be strong, have force') + **-onts* (forms adjectives from Caland system roots) ([Jasanoff 1978](#)). ([Kroonen 2013](#)) constructs the etymon as an original ti-stem, *dʰuǵʰ-Hn̥-tí-s*, which appears to be a formation utilizing the so-called Hoffman suffix, **-Hō*. See also **dugana* ('to be fit, avail').

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	dugunþō	dugunþōz
Acc.	dugunþǫ	dugunþōz
Gen.	dugunþōz	dugunþǫ
Dat.	dugunþōi	dugunþōmaz
Inst.	dugunþō	dugunþōmiz
Voc.	dugunþō	dugunþōz

Descendants

***dugunþi, *dugunþu** (Proto-West Germanic)

***dugath, *dugeth** (Old Dutch)

doget, doghet, duget, dueget (Middle Dutch)

deugd (Dutch)

deug (Afrikaans)

***dugunþi, *dugunþu** (Proto-West Germanic)

duguþ (Old English)

douth, douth, douþe, duthe, doþeþe, dugeþ, duþde, duþeþe, duþeþe, duheþe, duþe,
duweþe (Middle English)

douth (English)

duthe, douth (Scots)

***dugunþi, *dugunþu** (Proto-West Germanic)

dugethe, dugede (Old Frisian)

döged, dögd (North Frisian)

Duugd (Saterland Frisian)

deugd (West Frisian)

***dugunþi, *dugunþu** (Proto-West Germanic)

tungundi, tugund, tugind, *dugud (Old High German)

tugende, tugent, duget, duged (Middle High German)

Tuugend (Alemannic German)

טוגענד (tugend) (Yiddish)

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tugende, tugent, duget, duged (Middle High German)

Tugend (German)

Dugend, Dujend, Tugend, Tuend (Central Franconian)

Dugend (Luxembourgish)

***dugunþi, *dugunþu** (Proto-West Germanic)

***dugund, *dugunt, *duguth** (Old Saxon)

dogent, doget (Middle Low German)

Döögde, Döögte, Döögde, Döögte (Low German)

***ᚳᚢᚷᚢ | ᚳᚢᚷᚢ (*duziðō)** (Proto-Norse)

dygð, dyggð (Old Norse)

dygd (Faroese)

dygð, dyggð (Icelandic)

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dygð, dyggð (Old Norse)

dygd (Norwegian Nynorsk)

dygd (Norwegian Bokmål)

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dygð, dyggð (Old Norse)

dyghth (Old Danish)

dyd (Danish)

dyd (Norwegian Bokmål)

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dygð, dyggð (Old Norse)

dyghþ (Old Swedish)

dygd (Swedish)

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