

**\*faluz** Runic: 𐌿𐌳𐌺𐌿𐌿 Pronunciation: /'ɸɑ.luz/

adjective · u-stem

## Meanings

terrible; cruel; bad; baleful

## Etymology

Unknown. Possibly from Proto-Indo-European *\*pól* (h1)-u-s from an o-grade form of root *\*pelh<sub>1</sub>* - / *\*pel-* ('to set in motion, shake, agitate'). Compare Proto-Slavic *\*pōlxb* ('timid, fearful; fear, agitation') and *\*polšiti* ('to scare'), probably reflecting the same semantic development from 'agitation, trembling' to 'fear'. Related to *\*fēlaz* ('terrifying'). The predominance of i-mutated reflexes suggests early paradigmatic influence from *\*fali-*/*\*falj-* forms or possible secondary reanalysis as an i-/ja-stem.

## Declension

### Strong declension

| Case         | Sg. Masc.     | Sg. Fem.  | Sg. Neut.     | Pl. Masc. | Pl. Fem.  | Pl. Neut. |
|--------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Nom.</b>  | faluz         | fālī      | falu, -jatō   | faljai    | faljōz    | faljō     |
| <b>Acc.</b>  | faljanō       | faljō     | falu, -jatō   | faljanz   | faljōz    | faljō     |
| <b>Gen.</b>  | faljas, falis | faljaizōz | faljas, falis | faljaizô  | faljaizô  | faljaizô  |
| <b>Dat.</b>  | faljammai     | faljaizōi | faljammai     | faljaimaz | faljaimaz | faljaimaz |
| <b>Inst.</b> | faljanō       | faljaizō  | faljanō       | faljaimiz | faljaimiz | faljaimiz |

Weak declension

| Case  | Sg. Masc. | Sg. Fem. | Sg. Neut. | Pl. Masc. | Pl. Fem.  | Pl. Neut. |
|-------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Nom.  | faljô     | faljǫ    | faljô     | faljaniz  | faljōniz  | faljōnō   |
| Acc.  | faljanu   | faljōnu  | faljô     | faljanunz | faljōnunz | faljōnō   |
| Gen.  | faliniz   | faljōniz | faliniz   | faljanô   | faljōnô   | faljanô   |
| Dat.  | falini    | faljōni  | falini    | faljammaz | faljōmaz  | faljammaz |
| Inst. | falinē    | faljōnē  | falinē    | faljammiz | faljōmiz  | faljammiz |

Descendants

|                                       |
|---------------------------------------|
| *fali, *falu (Proto-West Germanic)    |
| *feli, *fel, *felli (Old Dutch)       |
| fel (Middle Dutch)                    |
| fel (Dutch)                           |
| *fali, *falu (Proto-West Germanic)    |
| *fæle, *felo, *fel (Old English)      |
| ælfæle, ealfelo, wælfel (Old English) |
| *fali, *falu (Proto-West Germanic)    |
| *fæle, *felo, *fel (Old English)      |
| fel, fell (Middle English)            |
| fell (English)                        |
| fell (Scots)                          |
| *fali, *falu (Proto-West Germanic)    |
| fal, fale, *fel, *fele (Old Frisian)  |
| fāl (Saterland Frisian)               |
| fel (West Frisian)                    |
| *fali, *falu (Proto-West Germanic)    |
| *feli, *fel (Old High German)         |
| vel (Middle High German)              |
| velheit, felheit (Middle High German) |
| *fali (Proto-West Germanic)           |
| *feli, *fel (Old Saxon)               |

**fel, vil** (Middle Low German)

**fell** (Low German)

**velike** (Middle Low German)

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