

***fanja** Runic: 𐰃𐰆𐰆𐰇𐰏 Pronunciation: /'fan.jǎ/

noun · neuter · ja-stem

Meanings

fen, marsh, swamp

Etymology

From Proto-Indo-European or late Northwestern Indo-European *pón-yo-m (‘swamp, wet ground’), an o-grade form of root *pen- (‘water, mud, marsh’). Cognate with Old Prussian *pannean* (‘bog’) and Proto-Celtic **phenos* (‘water; > Old/Middle Irish en’). The broader comparison is best regarded as a Northwestern Indo-European wetland isogloss (Mallory et al. 1997).

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	fanja	fanjō
Acc.	fanja	fanjō
Gen.	fanjas, fanis	fanjô
Dat.	fanjai	fanjamaz
Inst.	fanjō	fanjamiz
Voc.	fanja	fanjō

Descendants

*fani (Proto-West Germanic)

***feni** (Old Dutch)

vēne, venne (Middle Dutch)

veen (Dutch)

***fani** (Proto-West Germanic)

fenn, fen, fænn, fæn, feon, fien (Old English)

fen, fenne, ven (Middle English)

fen (English)

fen (Scots)

***fani** (Proto-West Germanic)

fene, fenne, fane (Old Frisian)

fenn (North Frisian)

Foan (Saterland Frisian)

fean (West Frisian)

***fani** (Proto-West Germanic)

fenni (Old High German)

venne (Middle High German)

Fenn, Venn (German)

***fani** (Proto-West Germanic)

feni, fenni (Old Saxon)

venne, vĕn, ven (Middle Low German)

Fenne (Low German)

fen (Old Norse)

fen (Danish)

fen (Faroese)

fen (Icelandic)

fen (Norwegian)

fen (Swedish)

𐌺𐌿𐌶𐌴 (**fani**) (Gothic)

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