

***fiþrija** Runic: 𐌿 | 𐌿 | 𐌿 | 𐌿 | 𐌿 Pronunciation: /'fi.θri.jǣ/

noun · neuter · ja-stem

Meanings

1. feathers (collectively); plumage
2. wing

Etymology

From pre-Germanic **péth2r-yóm*, from Proto-Indo-European r/n-stem **péth2r* ~ **pth2én*-('wing, feather'), from root **peth2-* ('to spread out, fly') + **(i)jǵ* (forms neuter collective nouns from other nouns). Cognates are Latin *penna* ('wing; feather, pinion; quill pen'), Cornish *edhen* ('bird'), *nepó* (*peró*, 'pen; feather'), Ancient Greek *πτερόν* (*pterón*, 'feather, wing'), and Hittite *𐎶𐎵𐎶* (*pát-tar* /*pattar*/) (*pát-tar* /*pattar*/, 'wing, feather'). Related to **feþrō* ('feather').

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	fiþrija	fiþrijō
Acc.	fiþrija	fiþrijō
Gen.	fiþrijas, fiþrīs	fiþrijō
Dat.	fiþrijai	fiþrijamaz
Inst.	fiþrijō	fiþrijamiz
Voc.	fiþrija	fiþrijō

Descendants

***fiþri** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***fitheri** (Old Dutch)

gevedere (Middle Dutch)

gevederte (Dutch)

***fiþri** (Proto-West Germanic)

fiþre, fiþere (Old English)

fither, fether (Middle English)

feathers (English)

***fiþri** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***fidari, fedari** (Old High German)

 ***fidere, fider, vider** (Middle High German)

gefidere, gevidere, gevider (Middle High German)

Gefieder (German)

fiðri (Old Norse)

fiðri (Faroese)

fiðri, fiður (Icelandic)

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