

**\*flainaz** Runic: ᚼᚠᚠᚢᚱᚢᚾᚰ Pronunciation: /'flaj̥.naz/

noun · masculine · a-stem

## Meanings

hook, prong, spear tip, ord

## Etymology

Uncertain. An obvious but speculative Proto-Indo-European etymon would be *\*ply(-)n-o-s* but there is no well-established root that fits this form. Traditional etymologies connect this term with Old Prussian *playnis* (‘steel’) and Lithuanian *pliėnas* (‘steel’) ([Trautmann 1910](#)), however current etymological analysis for those terms is also disputed.

## Declension

| Case  | Singular         | Plural           |
|-------|------------------|------------------|
| Nom.  | flainaz          | flainōz, flainōs |
| Acc.  | flainą           | flainanz         |
| Gen.  | flainas, flainis | flainġ           |
| Dat.  | flainai          | flainamaz        |
| Inst. | flainō           | flainamiz        |
| Voc.  | flain            | flainōz, flainōs |

## Descendants

\***flain** (Proto-West Germanic)

**flān, flā** (Old English)

**flan, flon, floon, fla, flo** (Middle English)

**flone, flo** (English)

**flane, flain** (Scots)

**fleinn** (Old Norse)

**fleinn** (Icelandic)

**flein** (Norwegian Bokmål)

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