

***-inōnā** Runic: | ʃ ʌ ʃ ʃ Pronunciation: /i.nɔ:.nã/

suffix · forms verbs · Weak class 2

Function

forms Weak class 2 denominative verbs from nouns denoting persons, professions, offices, or social roles, with the meaning ‘to be X, serve as X, act as X; perform the office or function of X’

Etymology

From Proto-Germanic **-in-* + **-ōnq*. The first element is from an Indo-European *n*-stem, which frequently formed individualizing or appurtenance-denoting nouns, including nouns for persons and offices. The second element is the regular Weak class 2 denominative verb suffix, ultimately continuing pre-Germanic **-eh₂-yé/ó-* from nominal bases in **-eh₂* (Ringe 2017: 200). The suffix is a secondary PGmc resegmentation: verbs of the type **X-in-ōnq*, originally formed to *n*-stems, were later reanalyzed as **X-* + **-inōnq*. This development is similar to Proto-Germanic **-isōnq*, which was similarly extracted from Weak class 2 verbs based on nouns ending in **-is-*. This new form was later extended to bases that were not historical *n*-stems, as in **lēkinōnq*, from **lēkijaz*, a *ja*-stem noun (Krahe & Meid 1969: 255–56; Scheungraber 2010: 145).

Paradigm

Present active

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
1st singular	-inō	-inō	-
2nd singular	-inōsi	-inōs	-inō
3rd singular	-inōpi	-inō	-inōpau
1st dual	-inōs	-inōw	-
2nd dual	-inōpiz	-inōpiz	-inōpiz
1st plural	-inōmaz	-inōm	-
2nd plural	-inōp	-inōp	-inōp
3rd plural	-inōnpi	-inōn	-inōnpau

Present passive

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	-inōi	-
2nd singular	-inōsai	-inōsau
3rd singular	-inōpai	-inōpau
1st dual	-	-
2nd dual	-	-
1st plural	-inōnpai	-inōnpau
2nd plural	-inōnpai	-inōnpau
3rd plural	-inōnpai	-inōnpau

Past

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	-inōdō	-inōdēdī
2nd singular	-inōdēz	-inōdēdīz
3rd singular	-inōdē	-inōdēdī
1st dual	-inōdēdū	-inōdēdīw
2nd dual	-inōdēdudiz	-inōdēdīdiz
1st plural	-inōdēdum	-inōdēdīm
2nd plural	-inōdēdud	-inōdēdīd
3rd plural	-inōdēdun	-inōdēdīn

Non-finite Forms

Infinitive	Present Participle	Past Participle
-inōnā	-inōndz	-inōdaz

Descendants

*-inōn (Proto-West Germanic)

 *-inon (Old Dutch)

 -enen (Middle Dutch)

*-inōn (Proto-West Germanic)

 -nian (Old English)

 -nien, -enien, -nen, -enen (Middle English)

 -en (English)

 -in, -en (Scots)

*-inōn (Proto-West Germanic)

 -nia (Old Frisian)

 -enje (Saterland Frisian)

 -enje (West Frisian)

*-inōn (Proto-West Germanic)

-inōn, -anōn (Old High German)

-enen, -nen (Middle High German)

***-inōn** (Proto-West Germanic)

***inōn, -nōn** (Old Saxon)

-enen (Middle Low German)

-na (Old Norse)

-ne (Danish)

-na (Icelandic)

-ne (Norwegian Bokmål)

-ne (Norwegian Nynorsk)

-na (Swedish)

-INQN (-inōn) (Gothic)

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***-isōnā** suffix ***-ōnā** suffix ***lēkijaz** noun ***lēkinōnā** verb

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