

***kanhtaz**

Runic: < ᚱ ᚦ ᚨ ᚱ ᚱ ᚷ

Pronunciation: /'kã:x.taz/

adjective · a-stem

Meanings

happy, glad

Etymology

Of uncertain origin. The traditional reconstruction of the Germanic as *kawataz and subsequent derivation from Proto-Indo-European *geh₂w- ('to rejoice'), whence Latin *gaudeō* ('to rejoice'), is doubtful due to the form of Elfdalian kât requiring a nasal. Based on this, Kroonen reconstructs the term as *kanhtaz, which appears to stem from a Proto-Indo-European *genk- ('to gladden, rejoice'), albeit with no known cognates outside of Germanic.

Declension

Strong declension

Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	kanhtaz	kanhtō	kanhta, -at, -atō	kanhtai	kanhtōz	kanhtō
Acc.	kanhtanō	kanhtō	kanhta, -at, -atō	kanhtanz	kanhtōz	kanhtō
Gen.	kanhtas, kanhtis	kanhtaizōz	kanhtas, kanhtis	kanhtaizō	kanhtaizō	kanhtaizō
Dat.	kanhtammai	kanhtaizōi	kanhtammai	kanhtaimaz	kanhtaimaz	kanhtaimaz
Inst.	kanhtanō	kanhtaizō	kanhtanō	kanhtaimiz	kanhtaimiz	kanhtaimiz

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Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	kanhtô	kanhtō	kanhtô	kanhtaniz	kanhtōniz	kanhtōnō
Acc.	kanhtanų	kanhtōnų	kanhtô	kanhtanunz	kanhtōnunz	kanhtōnō
Gen.	kanhtiniz	kanhtōniz	kanhtiniz	kanhtanġ	kanhtōnġ	kanhtanġ
Dat.	kanhtini	kanhtōni	kanhtini	kanhtammaz	kanhtōmaz	kanhtammaz
Inst.	kanhtinē	kanhtōnē	kanhtinē	kanhtammiz	kanhtōmiz	kanhtammiz

Descendants

- kátr (Old Norse)
 - kæt (Elfdalian)
 - kátur (Faroese)
 - kátur (Icelandic)
 - kåt (Norwegian Nynorsk)
 - kåt (Swedish)
- kátr (Old Norse)
 - kåd (Danish)
 - kåt (Norwegian Bokmål)

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