

***kwernō** Runic:  Pronunciation: /'kʷer.nɔː/

noun · feminine · ō-stem

Meanings

1. millstone
2. handmill; quern

Etymology

From earlier *kwernuz, a rare feminine u-stem reanalysed as an ō-stem, in turn from Pre-Germanic *g^wérh₂nus, from Proto-Indo-European *g^wréh₂wō ('heavy stone'), from *g^wréh₂us ('heavy'). Cognate with Lithuanian *girna* ('grindstone, millstone'), Russian жёрнов (žórnov, 'grindstone, millstone'), Old Irish *bró* ('millstone, handmill').

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	kwernō	kwernōz
Acc.	kwernō	kwernōz
Gen.	kwernōz	kwernō
Dat.	kwernōi	kwernōmaz
Inst.	kwernō	kwernōmiz
Voc.	kwernō	kwernōz

Descendants

cweorn (Old English)

querne, quern, queerne, quyerne, quyrne, qwerne, cwerne, qwhern, qweryn, whern (Middle English)

quern, kern, curn, quirn (English)

querne, quern, queirn, queern (Scots)

querne (Yola)

quern (Old Frisian)

quern (North Frisian)

querna (Old Saxon)

querne, quern (Middle Low German)

kwern (Old Saxon)

querne, quern (Middle Low German)

quern (Old Saxon)

querne, quern (Middle Low German)

*kwerna (Old Dutch)

querne, queerne, quaerne (Middle Dutch)

kweern (Dutch)

chwirna (Old High German)

churne, kūrne, kurn, kürn (Middle High German)

kwirn (Old High German)

churne, kūrne, kurn, kürn (Middle High German)

quirn (Old High German)

churne, kūrne, kurn, kürn (Middle High German)

kurn (Old High German)

churne, kūrne, kurn, kürn (Middle High German)

churn (Old High German)

churne, kūrne, kurn, kürn (Middle High German)

kvern (Old Norse)

kwenn (Elfdalian)

kvørn (Faroese)

kvänn (Gutnish)

kvern, kvörn (Icelandic)

kvæðn (Jamtish)

kvern (Norwegian)

kværn (Scanian)

kvern (Old Norse)

kwærn (Old Danish)

kværn (Danish)

kvern (Old Norse)

kværn, kvarn (Old Swedish)

kvarn (Swedish)

? (Proto-Samic)

giertnas (Northern Sami)

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