

***skeuhaz** Runic: ᚱᚰᚱᚰᚱᚰᚱᚰ Pronunciation: /'skeu.xaz/

adjective · a-stem

Meanings

1. frightened
2. shy; timid; bashful; coy; reserved; cautious
3. abominable; odious; loathsome; vile

Etymology

Further origin unknown; assumed to be from pre-Germanic *skéwkos. Possibly ultimately from Proto-Indo-European *skewb^h-, *skūb^h- ('to push, drive, move forward') (for which see Proto-Germanic *skeubana ('to push, drive') for cognates) or *(s)kewH- ('to cover, hide').

For semantic development compare Russian застенчивый (zasténčivyj) connected with стена (stená) or with стень (sten').

Declension

Strong declension

Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	skeuhaz	skeuhō	skeuha, -atō	skeuhai	skeuhōz	skeuhō
Acc.	skeuhanō	skeuhō	skeuha, -atō	skeuhanz	skeuhōz	skeuhō
Gen.	skeuhas, -is	skeuhaizōz	skeuhas, -is	skeuhaizō	skeuhaizō	skeuhaizō
Dat.	skeuhammai	skeuhaizōi	skeuhammai	skeuhaimaz	skeuhaimaz	skeuhaimaz
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Gen.	skeuhiniz	skeuhōniz	skeuhiniz	skeuhanô	skeuhōnô	skeuhanô
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Inst.	skeuhinē	skeuhōnē	skeuhinē	skeuhammiz	skeuhōmiz	skeuhammiz

Descendants

***skeuh** (Proto-West Germanic)

scheu (Dutch)

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sċēoh (Old English)

sceouh, skey, schey (Middle English)

shy (English)

skeich, skiech, skick (Scots)

***skeuh** (Proto-West Germanic)

eschif, eschiu (Old French)

schifo (Italian)

escheu, eschew (Middle English)

***skeuh** (Proto-West Germanic)

***skiāch, *skiā** (Old Frisian)

skjou (Saterland Frisian)

skou (West Frisian)

***skeuh** (Proto-West Germanic)

***skioh** (Old High German)

schiech, schiehe, schie (Middle High German)

schiach (Bavarian)

scheu, schiech, schiach, schirch (German)

***skyggr** (Old Norse)

skygg (Norwegian)

skygg (Swedish)

***skugjaz** (Old Norse)

skygg (Norwegian)

skygg (Swedish)

***skinhs (*skiuhs)** (Gothic)

esquiū (Catalan)

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esquivo (Old Galician-Portuguese)

esquivo, esquío (Galician)

esquivo (Portuguese)

***keühä** (Proto-Finnic)

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