

***slēpaną** Runic: ᚱᚲᚱᚱᚱᚱᚱ Pronunciation: /'slɛ:.pa.nã/

verb · Strong class 7d

Meanings

to sleep

Etymology

Unclear. May be related to *slapaz ('weak, lax'), itself of unclear origin, or possibly back-formed to *slabōną/*slappōną.

Older theories tentatively derived the word from a hypothetical base *slē-, extended in pre-Germanic as *slēb-, from earlier Proto-Indo-European *sleh₁-, which could be related to *(s)leh₁g-; see also Latin *langueō* ('to be faint, listless'), Old English *slæc* ('lazy').

Conjugation

Present active

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
1st singular	slēpō	slēpaų	–
2nd singular	slēpizi	slēpaiz	slēp
3rd singular	slēpidi	slēpai	slēpadau
1st dual	slēpōz	slēpaiw	–
2nd dual	slēpadiz	slēpaidiz	slēpadiz
1st plural	slēpamaz	slēpaim	–
2nd plural	slēpid	slēpaid	slēpid
3rd plural	slēpandi	slēpain	slēpandau

Present passive

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	slēpai	–
2nd singular	slēpazai	slēpaizau
3rd singular	slēpadai	slēpaidau
1st dual	–	–
2nd dual	–	–
1st plural	slēpandai	slēpaindu
2nd plural	slēpandai	slēpaindu
3rd plural	slēpandai	slēpaindu

Past

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	sezlēp	sezlēpī
2nd singular	sezlēft	sezlēpīz
3rd singular	sezlēp	sezlēpī
1st dual	sezlēpū	sezlēpīw
2nd dual	sezlēpudiz	sezlēpīdiz
1st plural	sezlēpum	sezlēpīm
2nd plural	sezlēpud	sezlēpīd
3rd plural	sezlēpun	sezlēpīn

Non-finite Forms

Infinitive	Present Participle	Past Participle
slēpaną	slēpandz	slēpanaz

Descendants

*slāpan (Proto-West Germanic)

slāpan (Old Dutch)

slâpen (Middle Dutch)

slaope (Limburgish)

slaepe (Zealandic)

*slāpan (Proto-West Germanic)

slāpan (Old Dutch)

slâpen (Middle Dutch)

slapen (Dutch)

slaap (Afrikaans)

slaap, slap, slaep (Negerhollands)

slapi, slappe (Skepi Creole Dutch)

*slāpan (Proto-West Germanic)

slæpan, slēpan, slāpan, slēpian (Old English)

slepen, slæpen, sleepen, slepe (Middle English)

sleep (English)

sribi (Sranan Tongo)

***slāpan** (Proto-West Germanic)

slæpan, slēpan, slāpan, slēpian (Old English)

slepen, slæpen, sleepen, slepe (Middle English)

sleip, slepe (Middle Scots)

sleep (Scots)

***slāpan** (Proto-West Germanic)

slēpa (Old Frisian)

? (North Frisian)

släiþe (Saterland Frisian)

sliepe (West Frisian)

***slāpan** (Proto-West Germanic)

slāfan (Old High German)

slāfen (Middle High German)

? (Bavarian)

schlafen (German)

שלאפן (shlofn) (Yiddish)

***slāpan** (Proto-West Germanic)

slāfan (Old High German)

slāfen (Middle High German)

schlofe (Central Franconian)

schlofe (Hunsrik)

schlofen (Luxembourgish)

***slāpan** (Proto-West Germanic)

slāfan (Old High German)

slāfen (Middle High German)

schlofe (Rhine Franconian)

schlofe (Pennsylvania German)

***slāpan** (Proto-West Germanic)

slāpan (Old Saxon)

slâpen (Middle Low German)

slapen (German Low German)

slapen (Low German)

slæpan (slēpan) (Gothic)

schlipen (Crimean Gothic)

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