

***spannaną** Runic: ᚱᚲᚲᚲᚲᚲᚲ Pronunciation: /'span.na.nã/

verb · Strong class 7c

Meanings

to stretch, span

Etymology

Originally a strong verb of the seventh class, the long -n- comes from an earlier form *spanwaną-. Perhaps ultimately an ablative form from the same source as *spinnaną ('to spin'), though Kroonen alternatively derives the verb from a Proto-Indo-European **spend-* ('to stretch'), comparing Lithuanian *spęsti* ('to snare'), Latvian *spanda* ('strap'), Old Church Slavonic *спѣдѣ* (*spǫdǫ*) (*spǫdǫ*, 'corn-measure, measure, peck').

Conjugation

Present active

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
1st singular	spannō	spannau	–
2nd singular	spannizi	spannaiz	spann
3rd singular	spannidi	spannai	spannadau
1st dual	spannōz	spannaiw	–
2nd dual	spannadiz	spannaidiz	spannadiz
1st plural	spannamaz	spannaim	–
2nd plural	spannid	spannaid	spannid
3rd plural	spannandi	spannain	spannandau

Present passive

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	spannai	–
2nd singular	spannazai	spannaizau
3rd singular	spannadai	spannaidau
1st dual	–	–
2nd dual	–	–
1st plural	spannandai	spannaindau
2nd plural	spannandai	spannaindau
3rd plural	spannandai	spannaindau

Past

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	spespann	spespannĭ
2nd singular	spespannt	spespannīz
3rd singular	spespann	spespannī
1st dual	spespannū	spespannīw
2nd dual	spespannudiz	spespannīdiz
1st plural	spespannum	spespannīm
2nd plural	spespannud	spespannīd
3rd plural	spespannun	spespannīn

Non-finite Forms

Infinitive	Present Participle	Past Participle
spannaną	spannandz	spannanaz

Descendants

spannan (Old English)

spannen (Middle English)

span (English)

span (Scots)

spanna (Old Frisian)

sponne (Saterland Frisian)

spanne (West Frisian)

sponna (Old Frisian)

sponne (Saterland Frisian)

spanne (West Frisian)

spannan (Old Saxon)

spannen (Middle Low German)

spannen (German Low German)

***spannan** (Old Dutch)

spannen (Middle Dutch)

spannen (Dutch)

span (Afrikaans)

spannan (Old High German)

spannen (Middle High German)

spannen (German)

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