

***walhaz** Runic: ᚱᚠᚠᚠᚱᚰ Pronunciation: /'wal.xaz/

noun · masculine · a-stem

Meanings

1. a foreigner, a non-Germanic, specifically
2. a Celt, a Celtic-speaker
3. a Roman, a speaker of Latin (or Romance)

Etymology

From earlier *wólkos, from the name of a Celtic tribe, the Volcae. Historically the tribe's name has been linked to an animal, possibly Proto-Celtic **wolkos*, or alternatively (but less likely) Proto-Celtic **ulk^wos*, in turn from Proto-Indo-European **wĺk^wos*, as Caesar described the Celts having fought with huge dogs.

For the first possibility, cf. the personal name Gaulish Catuvolcus and Welsh *cadwalch*.

Declension

Case	Singular	Plural
Nom.	walhaz	walhōz, walhōs
Acc.	walhą	walhanz
Gen.	walhas, walhis	walhô
Dat.	walhai	walhamaz
Inst.	walhō	walhamiz
Voc.	walh	walhōz, walhōs

Descendants

***walh** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***Wala**, ***Wale** (Old Dutch)

wāle (Middle Dutch)

Waal (Dutch)

***walh** (Proto-West Germanic)

wealh (Old English)

wealh (English)

wallus (Medieval Latin)

wælh, **wale** (Middle English)

Wēalas (Old English)

***walh** (Proto-West Germanic)

wealh (Old English)

Cornwēalas (Old English)

Cornwale, **Cornwaile** (Middle English)

Cornwall (English)

***walh** (Proto-West Germanic)

walh, **walah** (Old High German)

walch (Middle High German)

Walchen, **Walen** (German)

***walh** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***volxъ** (Proto-Slavic)

Vlach, **Wallachia** (English)

***walh** (Proto-West Germanic)

 ***Wallō** (Vulgar Latin)

walon, **Walon** (Walloon)

wallon, **Wallon** (French)

Walloon (English)

𐀶𐀺𐀓𐀢𐀺𐀓𐀺** (walhar**) (Proto-Norse)

 𐀶𐀺𐀓𐀢𐀺𐀓𐀺 < 𐀶𐀺𐀓𐀢𐀺𐀓𐀺 (**walhakurnē**) (Proto-Norse)

𐀶𐀺𐀓𐀢𐀺𐀓𐀺** (walhar**) (Proto-Norse)

valr, **valir** (Old Norse)

valur, **valir** (Icelandic)

𐀶𐀺𐀓𐀢𐀺𐀓𐀺** (walhar**) (Proto-Norse)

valr, **valir** (Old Norse)

val- (Old Norse)

val- (Faroese)

val- (Icelandic)

val, valar (Old Swedish)

***𐍄𐍂𐍏𐍱𐍳 (*walhs)** (Gothic)

***volxъ** (Proto-Slavic)

Vlach, Wallachia (English)

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