

***werþana** Runic:  Pronunciation: /'wer.θa.nǎ/

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Meanings

1. to become
2. to come to be, to come into existence
3. to happen, to come about

Etymology

From Proto-Indo-European **wért-e-ti* ('to turn'), with semantic shift "to turn" > "to become (turn into)".

Usage Note

Used to form the passive voice, together with a past participle.

Conjugation

Present active

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive	Imperative
1st singular	werþō	werþau	—
2nd singular	wirþizi	werþaiz	werþ
3rd singular	wirþidi	werþai	werþadau
1st dual	werþōz	werþaiw	—
2nd dual	werþadiz	werþaidiz	werþadiz
1st plural	werþamaz	werþaim	—
2nd plural	wirþid	werþaid	wirþid
3rd plural	werþandi	werþain	werþandau

Present passive

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	werþai	—
2nd singular	werþazai	werþaizau
3rd singular	werþadai	werþaidau
1st dual	—	—
2nd dual	—	—
1st plural	werþandai	werþaindau
2nd plural	werþandai	werþaindau
3rd plural	werþandai	werþaindau

Past

Person	Indicative	Subjunctive
1st singular	warþ	wurdĭ
2nd singular	warst	wurdīz
3rd singular	warþ	wurdī
1st dual	wurdū	wurdīw
2nd dual	wurdudz	wurdīdz
1st plural	wurdum	wurdīm
2nd plural	wurdud	wurdīd
3rd plural	wurdun	wurdīn

Non-finite Forms

Infinitive	Present Participle	Past Participle
werþaną	werþandz	wurdanaz

Descendants

*werþan (Proto-West Germanic)

werthan (Old Dutch)

werden (Middle Dutch)

waere (Limburgish)

*werþan (Proto-West Germanic)

werthan (Old Dutch)

werden (Middle Dutch)

worden (Dutch)

word (Afrikaans)

word (Negerhollands)

worden (Petjo)

*werþan (Proto-West Germanic)

weorþan, *wearþan, weorðan, worða, wurþan (Old English)

werthen (Middle English)

worth (Scots)

wertha (Old Frisian)

wäide (Saterland Frisian)

werdan, perdan (Old High German)

waerre (Pennsylvania German)

werthan (Old Saxon)

werden, worden, warden, warrn, worrn (Low German)

warþa (Old Gutnish)

vorde (Norwegian Bokmål)

varda (Swedish)

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