

***-īnaz** Runic: | ǀ ǀ ǀ ǀ Pronunciation: /i:.naz/

suffix · forms adjectives · a-stem

Function

like modern English “-en”; forms adjectives of material from nouns, meaning 'made of (noun)'; forms adjectives or nominalized adjectives pertaining to a thing, as in ‘characteristic of’ the base

Etymology

This prefix is from pre-Germanic **-ī-no-s*, from Proto-Indo-European **-ih₂-no-s*, a complex appurtenance adjective formation built from the relational/possessive **-ih₂-* plus adjectival **-nós* (Dunkel 2014: 20 n. 8; Kim 2014: 130–31). The suffix can be seen in a broader Indo-European **-ī-no-* type, with cognates such as Latin *-īnus*, Ancient Greek *-ivos* (*-īnos*), Proto-Celtic **īnos*, Proto-Slavic **-inъ*, and Sanskrit *-ईन* (*-īna*) (Krahe & Meid 1969: 110–14; Repanšek 2016: 96–97).

Paradigm

Strong declension

Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	-īnaz	-īnō	-īna, -atō	-īnai	-īnôz	-īnō
Acc.	-īnanq̄	-īnq̄	-īna, -atō	-īnanz	-īnôz	-īnō
Gen.	-īnas, -is	-īnaizōz	-īnas, -is	-īnaizq̄	-īnaizq̄	-īnaizq̄
Dat.	-īnammai	-īnaizōi	-īnammai	-īnaimaz	-īnaimaz	-īnaimaz
Inst.	-īnanō	-īnaizō	-īnanō	-īnaimiz	-īnaimiz	-īnaimiz

Weak declension

Case	Sg. Masc.	Sg. Fem.	Sg. Neut.	Pl. Masc.	Pl. Fem.	Pl. Neut.
Nom.	-īnô	-īnō	-īnô	-īnaniz	-īnōniz	-īnōnō
Acc.	-īnanu	-īnōnu	-īnô	-īnanunz	-īnōnunz	-īnōnō
Gen.	-īniniz	-īnōniz	-īniniz	-īnanô	-īnōnô	-īnanô
Dat.	-īnini	-īnōni	-īnini	-īnammaz	-īnōmaz	-īnammaz
Inst.	-īninē	-īnōnē	-īninē	-īnammiz	-īnōmiz	-īnammiz

Descendants

*-īn (Proto-West Germanic)

 *-īn (Old Dutch)

 -ijn, -en (Middle Dutch)

 -en (Dutch)

*-īn (Proto-West Germanic)

 -en (Old English)

 -en (Middle English)

 -en (English)

 -en, -in (Scots)

*-īn (Proto-West Germanic)

 -en (Old Frisian)

 -en (Saterland Frisian)

 -en (West Frisian)

*-īn (Proto-West Germanic)

 -īn (Old High German)

 -en (Middle High German)

 -en, -ern (German)

*-īn (Proto-West Germanic)

 -īn (Old Saxon)

 -en (Middle Low German)

 -en (Low German)

-inn (Old Norse)

-inn (Icelandic)

-eINS (-eins) (Gothic)

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