

ქვემოთ წარმოდგენილი ეტიმოლოგიები ამოღებულია ოქსფორდის დიდი
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FATHER

[Com. Teut. and Aryan: OE. *fæder* corresponds to OFris. *feder, fader*, OS. *fadar, fader* (LG., Du. *vader, vaar*), OHG. *fater* (MHG. and mod.G. *vater*), ON. *faðer, -ir* (Sw., Da. *fader, far*), Goth. *fad ar* (found only *Gal. iv. 6*, the ordinary word being *atta*):—OTeut. *fader, ?fadēr*:—OArmenian *pə'tēr* (*pə ter-, pətr-*). whence Skr. *pitr*, Gr. *πατήρ*, L. *pater*, OIr. *athir*.

MOTHER

[Com. Teut. (but wanting in Gothic) and Indo-Germanic: OE. *módor* = OFris. *môdar*, OS. *môdar*, *muodar* (Du. *moeder*, LG. *moder*), OHG. *muotar, -er* (MHG. *muoter*, mod.G. *mutter*), ON. *móðer* (Sw., Da. *moder*):—OTeut. **mōðar-* (cons.-stem):—pre-Teut. **mā'ter-*, cogn. w. Skr. **mātr̥, māta r-*, Gr. *μάτηρ-, μᾶτέρ-* (Doric), *μήτηρ, μητέρ-* (Attic and Ionic), L. *māter*, OSl. *mati*, OIrish *māthir*.

BROTHER

[A Common Teut., and Common Aryan word: OE. *bróðor* = OFris. *bróther, bróder*, OS. *brôthar* (MDu. and Du. *broeder*, MLG. and mod.LG. *broder*), OHG. *bruodar* (MHG. *bruoder*, Ger. *bruder*), ON. *bróðir* (Sw., Da. *broder*), Goth. *brōþar*:—OTeut. **brōþar*:—OArmenian **bhrāter, -tor, -tr*, whence also Skr. *bhrātr̥*, Gr. *φράτηρ*, L. *frāter*, OSlav. *brātъ*, OCelt. **brāter* (Ir. and Gael. *brathair*, Welsh *brawd* (from **brawdr*), Breton *breur* (formerly *breuzr*).

TREE

[OE. *tréow, triow*, OE., ME. *tréo*, etc. = OFris. *trē* (NFRIS. *trē, træ*), OS. *trio, treo, trew-* (MDu. in c omb. *-tere, -tære*, Kilian); ON. *tré* (Da. *træ*, Sw. *trä* timber, *träd* tree); Goth. *triu*, gen. *triw-is* wood (wanting in OHG. and now also obsolete in LG. and Du.):—OTeut. **trewo-*, cognate with Skr. *d ru* tree, wood, *'dāru* wood, log, and with Gr. *δρῦς* oak, *δόρυ* spear; OSlav. *driewo* (from *dervo*) tree, wood, *drūva* pl. wood, Russ. *'derevo, dre'veo* tree, wood, Serb. *drvo* tree, *drva* wood, Czech *drva*, P ol. *drwa* wood; Lith. *dervà* pine-wood; also with OIr. *daur*, Welsh *derwen* oak. The modern Eng. *tree* is a regular repr. of OE. *tréo*, ME. *treo*; *trē* is the form in the Bestiary of c1220; but the final prevalence of this over the other ME. forms *treow, trew, trow, trau*, was prob. assisted by its coincidence with Norse *tré*; *trē, tree* are the northern forms from *Cursor Mundi* onward. For form-history cf. [NEE.](#)]

FLESH [Com. WGER. and Scandinavian: OE. *flēsc* str. neut. corresponds to OFris. *flāsk*, OS. *flēsk* (Du. *vleesch*), OHG. *fleisc* (MHG. *vleisch*, mod.Ger. *fleisch*), of the same meaning, ON. *flesk* with shortened vowel (Sw. *fläsk*, Da. *flesk*), swine's flesh, pork, bacon:—OTeut. **flaiskoz-, -iz-* (or possibly *þl-*)

TO SING

[Common Teut.: OE. *singan*, = OFris. *sionga* (WFr. *sjonge*, dial. *soenge*), MDu. *singen* (Du. *zinge n*), OS. and OHG. *singan* (G. *singen*), ON. *syngva* (Icel. and Norw. *syngja*, Sw. *sjunga*, Da. *sygne*), Goth. *siggwan* (= *singwan*). No related forms have been traced in other languages.

THING

[OE. *þing* (see below), Com. Teut.: cf. OFris. *thing*, *ting* assembly, council, suit, matter, thing (W Fris., NFr. *ting* assembly); OS. *thing* assembly for judicial or deliberative purposes, conference, transaction, matter, affair, thing, object (MDu. *dinc* court-day, suit, plea, concern, affair, thing, Du. *ding* thing; MLG. *ding*, *dink*, LG. *ding* affair, thing, object); OHG. *ding*, *dinc* public assembly for judgement and transaction of business, law-court, lawsuit, plea, cause, matter, affair, thing, mod. G. *ding* affair, matter, thing; ON. *þing* public assembly, meeting, parliament, council; also in pl., objects, articles, valuable things, Norw. *ting* neut. public assembly, creature, being; masc. affair, thing, object, Sw. *ting* assize, thing; Da. *ting* court, court of justice, thing.

LADDER

[OE. *hl̥d(d)er* str. fem., corresp. to OFris. *hleder*, *hladder-*, MDu. *lēdere* (Du. *leer*, also *ladder* from Fris.), OHG. *leiara* (MHG., mod.G. *leiter*):—OTeut. **hlaidrjā*, f. Teut. root **hlī-*: *hlai-* (whence LEAN v.):—Aryan **kłī-*: cf. Gr. *κλῖμαξ* ladder.]

LEAN

[ME. *lēnen*:—OE. *hleonian*, *hlinian*, corresponding to OFris. *lena* (cf. *hlenbed* sick-bed), OS. *hlinōn* (MDu. *lēnen*, Du. *leunen*), OHG. (*h)linēn* (MHG. *linen*, *lenen*, mod.G. *lehnen*, whence Da. *læne* refl.), f. Teut. root **hlī-* (ablaut- var. of **hlai-*: see LADDER):—OAryan **kłī-* represented in Gr. *κλῖμαξ* ladder, L. *clīvus* declivity, etc., Skr. *çri* to lean; the formation of the Teut. vb., with *n* suffix orig. belonging to the pres.-stem, is paralleled in Gr. *κλίνειν* to make to slope, L. *inclinare* to INCLINE.

HEAD

[Com. Teut.: OE. *héafod* = OFris. *hâved*, *hâfd*, *hâvd*, *hâd*, OS. *hôbid* (LG. *höved*, *höfd*, MDu. *hôve t(d)*, Du. *hoofd*), OHG. *houbit*, *haubit* (MHG. *haubet*, G. *haupt*), ON. *haufuð*, later *hofuð* (Sw. *huf vud*, Da. *hoved*), Goth. *haubip*:—OTeut. **haubud-*, *-ido* (with suffix ablaut). Notwithstanding a close consonant correspondence with L. *caput*, *capit-*, the difference of the root vowel makes it very difficult to identify the words, or to refer them to a common root. Some refer the Teutonic word to an ablaut stem *heub-*, *haub-*, *hub-*, whence OHG. *hûba*, Ger. *haube*, OE. *hûfe*, head-covering, cap. The phonetic development of the word in Eng. has been *héafod*, *hêved*, *hêvd*, *hêd*, *hed* ('hɛ:əvəd , 'hɛ:vəd, hɛ:vd, hɛ:d, hed); in Sc. (hex:d, he:d, hi:d, hid). In some dialects a diphthongal ('he:x:d) has developed as ('hi:d, hr'ed, hj:d, j:d).]

CONTINUE

[a. F. *continuer* (13th c. in Littré), ad. L. *continuāre* ‘to make continuous’, more rarely ‘to be continuous’, f. *continu-us* [CONTINUOUS](#). There seems to have been frequent confusion in ME. between this word and *contain* in its early form *contene*, due perh. to F. *contenu* and L. *continui*, parts of *contenir*, *continēre* to [CONTAIN](#), or to the Eng. n. [CONTENU](#) = F. *contenu* content. Hence sense 17 ‘to contain,’ and [CONTAIN v.](#) 17 in sense ‘continue’; see also [CONTUNE](#).]

BIRD

[ME. *byrd*, *bryd*:—OE. *brid* masc. (pl. *briddas*), in Northumbrian *bird*, *birdas* ‘offspring, young,’ but used only of the young of birds. There is no corresponding form in any other Teutonic lang., and the etymology is unknown. If native Teut., it would represent an original **bridjo-z*: this cannot be derived from [BROOD](#), [BREED](#), and even the suggestion that it may be formed like these from the root **bru-* (see [BROOD](#)) appears to be quite inadmissible.]

CRADLE

[OE. *cradol*, beside which there was perh. a parallel form **crædel* whence northern ME. *credil*, *credel*, mod.Sc. and north. Eng. *creddle*. Derivation uncertain.

Usually compared with OHG. *chratto*, *cratto*, MHG. *kratte* ‘basket, panier, creel’ which, with the synonymous OHG. *c(h)rezzo*, MHG. *chrezze*, *kreize*, Ger. *krätze*, *kretze* (having also, Grimm, *Krätze* I. 3, the sense ‘cradle’), appears to go back to an ablaut-stem **krat-*, *krad*. From this, OE. *cradol*, *cradel* might be a diminutive formation, lit. ‘little basket’: cf. mod. *bassinet*.

The various Celtic derivations conjectured, e.g. from Welsh *crŷd*, ‘shake, shakes, ague’, now also in N. Wales ‘cradle’, from Gael. *creathall* ('kreal), cradle, etc., have no etymological value. *Craidhal* sometimes erroneously cited as Irish, is a bad spelling of Gael. *creathall*, given by O'Reilly from Shaw.]

TAIL

[Com. Teut.: OE. *tæȝel*, *tæȝl*, = ON. *tagl* a horse's tail (Sw. *tagel* horse-hair of tail or mane); OHG. *zagel*, MHG. *zagel*, dial. *zail*, *zeil*, tail of animal, etc., mod.Ger. dial. *zagel*, *zâl*, *zael* tail; LG. *tagel* a twisted scourge or whip of thongs or ropes, a rope-end, rope (Brem. Wbch.), Goth. *tagl* hair (of the head, of the camel). Ulterior etymology uncertain; but the evidence appears to show that the primary sense was either ‘hair’ or ‘hairy tail’, as of the horse, ox, fox, etc., whence it was extended to the tails of other animals. Already in OE. it was applied to the tails of ‘worms’ or reptiles, and to the sting of the bee. In OE. the tail was also called *steort*, [START](#). = Du. *staart*.]