

First Consonant Shift Activity
 PIE → Germanic

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In the Expected Sound Changes column, write the sound(s) that were changed according to Grimm's Law. In the Old English column, write the resulting sound from Grimm's Law in the space(s) provided, completing the Old English word. In the Present-Day English column, write the PDE word. (Thinking about the meaning of the Latin and Greek cognates can help you figure out the PDE words.) Be ready to explain any apparent exceptions. The first answer is given.

PIE Root	Expected Sound Changes	Old English	Present-Day English	Latinate/Greek Cognates
*kannib-	<u> k → h, b → p </u>	<u> h ene p </u>	<u> hemp </u>	cannabis, canvas
*dwō		<u> wā </u>		duo, dual
*grān-		<u> orn </u>		grain
*bhrāter		<u> ro or </u>		fraternity, fraternize
*kerd		<u> eor e </u>		cardiac, cardio-
*gen		<u> ynn </u>		genus, genocide
*ker, *kr-n-		<u> orn </u>		cornucopia, coronet
*gnō-		<u> nāwan </u>		gnostic, gnosis, agnostic
*dekm		<u> īe n </u>		decimal, decade, decimeter
*gel-		<u> ōl </u>		glacial, glacier