

# Cybalist "laryngeal" lunacy

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Underneath is an excerpt from a long "laryngeal" debate on Cyba-Cave-List. After having read this thread, a reasonable clearminded person would certainly have concluded that something went terrible wrong during the process of the Cyba-Cavemen's brain evolution: – Insane fuck the confused!

These people behave like a bunch of monkeys, confined in a narrow cage, while trying to grab the virtual banana from the TV screen.

First, the words like Gr.  $\omicron\acute{\alpha}$  (o<sup>o</sup>i<sup>1/2</sup>), Lat. oculus, Serbo-Slavic oko (ugledati look, spot; ogleđalo mirror), Ger. Auge are not related to Gr.  $\acute{\iota}\acute{\alpha}$ ,  $\acute{\iota}\acute{\alpha}$ ,  $\acute{\iota}\acute{\alpha}$ ,  $\acute{\iota}\acute{\alpha}$ ,  $\acute{\iota}\acute{\alpha}$  M.Lat. opticus. The so-called Greek – Wh- > –kW- > –p/ph/f- "phonetic mutation" is the product of an overheated and exuberant imagination.

It means that the first above-mentioned group of IE words (oculus) is derived from the Gon-Bel basis (Serbian ognjilo fire, fireplace; oknilo/okno window; Czech okno; Russ. >:=>; hence oko eye); while the other one (opticus, ophtalmus) has been derived from the Bel-Gon basis (Serb. vi enje, Lat. visio –onis seeing, vision). Greek ophtal-mos is related to Serbian videlo; inst. videlom (daylight; raditi za videla = to work by daylight); i.e. oftal-mos is the same as Slavic verb videti (see; Serb. 3rd pl. pp. uvideli they understood)

Similar is in the case of the number seven and eight (Gr.  $\mu\acute{\alpha}$ ;  $\acute{\iota}\acute{\alpha}$ ;  $\acute{\iota}\acute{\alpha}$ ; Lat. septem, octo; Serb. sedam, osam; Ger. sieben, acht etc.).

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— In [cybalist@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:cybalist@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx), Miguel Carrasquer Vidal <[miguelc@...](mailto:miguelc@...)> wrote:

On Tue, 25 Mar 2008 23:28:39 +0100, "fournet.arnaud" <[fournet.arnaud@...](mailto:fournet.arnaud@...)> wrote:

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----- Original Message -----

From: Piotr Gasiorowski

So far, you have presented no clear argument for separating \*h<sub>3</sub>ekW- from \*h<sub>1</sub>ekW- and you are trying to shift the burden off your shoulders.

Piotr

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Dear Piotr

In north Caucasic,

to see/ eye \*?\_kw

face : \*H\_(r)q.w

I think what Piotr had in mind was internal evidence from Indo-European.

The material in Pokorny offers only two possibilities:

1) Greek ení:sso: (geneuert ení:pto:), Aor. e:ní:papon und enéni:pon `tadeln, rügen, ahnden, tätlich zurechtweisen', without breaking, so possibly from \*h<sub>1</sub>en-h<sub>1</sub>i-h<sub>1</sub>kW-je/o-.

2) OIr. enech, mcymr. enep `Gesicht, Antlitz', mbret. enep ds. und Präp. `gegen', und cymr. wyneb `Antlitz', acymr. let-inepp `halbe Seite' [unklar]. With apparent -e-, so possibly from \*h<sub>1</sub>en-h<sub>1</sub>ekW-om.

Both cases are possible, but not very strong (e.g. we could have distant assimilation \*h<sub>1</sub>..h<sub>3</sub> > \*h<sub>1</sub>..h<sub>1</sub>).

Also interesting (from the point of view of labialization dissimilation) is Pokorny's reference to the root \*ok- "überlegen" (Greek oknos, Gmc. aha, ahta).

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