

Before the influx of drawings, Blotsplotch was best known in etymological circles as a rare example of a *reunion word*, namely an origin word in an ancestor language whose descendants recombine in a later language to form a word with essentially the same pronunciation and meaning as the origin word. While it is impossible to say with certainty from which ancestor language Blotsplotch derives, as near variants appear in the Tocharian, Indo-Aryan, Anatolian, Germanic, Balto-Slavic and Goidelic language groups, it is the case that its progeny—words like the Low German *blat*, the Old Norse *blettr*, the Middle Dutch *spotte*, the Middle English *botch*, and the Old Polish *plotch*—constitute the origin of the Modern English *Blotsplotch*. Simply put, Blotsplotch begets itself. It is its own origin.

(Blotsplotch only wants to make celebrity-fetishes Blotsplotch Blotsplotch only wants to win at chess.)



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