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n.

1. A young goose.
2. *Archaic* A naive or inexperienced young person.

[Middle English, variant (influenced by *gos*, goose) of *gesling*, from Old Norse *gæslingr*, diminutive of *gās*, goose; see **ghans-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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