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n.

Any of a group of extinct squidlike cephalopod mollusks of the Jurassic and Cretaceous Periods, having a cone-shaped internal shell.

[New Latin *belemnītēs*, from Greek *belemnōn*, dart; see **g^Wela-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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