

'Existence' (pub. 29.05.14-18:49). Quote in M. Bergman & S. Paavola (Eds.), *The Commens Dictionary: Peirce's Terms in His Own Words. New Edition*. Retrieved from <http://www.commens.org/dictionary/entry/quote-answers-questions-about-my-belief-god>.

Term: Existence

Quote: I will also take the liberty of substituting "reality" for "existence." This is perhaps overscrupulosity; but I myself always use *exist* in its strict philosophical sense of "react with the other like things in the environment." Of course, in that sense, it would be fetichism to say that God "exists."

Source: Peirce, C. S. (1906 [c.]). *Answers to Questions about my Belief in God*. MS [R] 845.

References: MS [R] 645:2; CP 6.495

Date of 1906 [c.]

Quote:

Manuscript

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A handwritten manuscript snippet in cursive ink on a light background. The text is a partial quote from Charles S. Peirce, discussing the use of the word 'exist' in a philosophical context. The handwriting is fluid and characteristic of Peirce's style. There is a small dark circular mark on the left side of the snippet, possibly a hole punch or a stain.

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