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Term: Sign

**Quote:** A sign is anything, A, in a relation, r, to something, B, its *object*, this relation, r,

consisting in fitness to determine something so as to produce something, C, the *interpretant* of the sign, which shall be in the relation r to B, or at least in some analogous relation. Thus, the sign involves the idea of a possible endless series of interpretations. In what relation this entire series, taken as a whole, stands to

the object, B, depends upon circumstances.

Source: Peirce, C. S. (1983). A Brief Intellectual Autobiography by Charles Sanders

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