

'Object' (pub. 12.08.13-19:49). 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-chapter-ii-categories-2>.

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**Term:** Object

**Quote:** A sign stands *for* something to the idea which it produces, or modifies. Or, it is a vehicle conveying into the mind something from without. That for which it stands is called its *Object*; that which it conveys, its *Meaning*; and the idea to which it gives rise, its *Interpretant*. The object of representation can be nothing but a representation of which the first representation is the interpretant. But an endless series of representations, each representing the one behind it, may be conceived to have an absolute object at its limit.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1893-5 [c.]). *Chapter II: The Categories*. MS [R] 717.

**References:** NEM 4:309-10; CP 1.339

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