

'Fallibilism' (pub. 08.01.13-17:26). 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-fallibilism-continuity-and-evolution-r-0>.

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**Term:** Fallibilism

**Quote:** ... let me call your attention to the natural affinity of this principle to the doctrine of fallibilism. The principle of continuity is the idea of fallibilism objectified. For fallibilism is the doctrine that our knowledge is never absolute but always swims, as it were, in a continuum of uncertainty and of indeterminacy. Now the doctrine of continuity is that *all things* so swim in continua.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1893 [c.]). *Fallibilism, Continuity, and Evolution [R]*. MS [R] 955.

**References:** CP 1.171

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