

'Final Interpretant' (pub. 16.08.13-18:07). 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-letters-william-james-14>.

Term: Final Interpretant

Quote: The Final Interpretant does not consist in the way in which any mind does act but in the way in which every mind would act. That is, it consists in a truth which might be expressed in a conditional proposition of this type: "If so and so were to happen to any mind this sign would determine that mind to such and such *conduct*." By "conduct" I mean *action* under an intention of self-control. No event that occurs to any mind, no action of any mind can constitute the truth of that conditional proposition.

Source: Peirce, C. S. (1897-1909). *Letters to William James*. L [R] 224.

References: CP 8.315

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