

'Seme' (pub. 18.08.13-18:57). 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-prolegomena-apology-pragmatism-21>.

---

**Term:** Seme

**Quote:** A familiar logical triplet is Term, Proposition, Argument. In order to make this a division of all signs, the first two members have to be much widened. By a *Seme*, I shall mean anything which serves for any purpose as a substitute for an object of which it is, in some sense, a representative or Sign. The logical Term, which is a class-name, is a Seme. Thus, the term "The mortality of man" is a Seme.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1906). Prolegomena to an Apology for Pragmaticism. *The Monist*, 16, 492-546.

**References:** CP 4.538

**Date of** 1906

**Quote:**

**URL:** <http://www.commens.org/dictionary/entry/quote-prolegomena-apology-pragmatism-21>