

'Existence' (pub. 10.03.16-18:22). 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-basis-pragmatism-29>.

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**Term:** Existence

**Quote:** ...the term *existence* is properly a term, not of logic, but of metaphysics; and metaphysically understood, an object *exists*, if and only if, it reacts with every other existing object of the same universe. But in the definition of a logical proper name, *exist* is used in its logical sense, and means merely to be a singular of a logical universe, or universe of discourse.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1905 [c.]). *The Basis of Pragmatism*. MS [R] 280.

**References:** MS [R] 280:36-7

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