

'Symbol' (pub. 10.08.17-14:56). 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-definitions-baldwins-dictionary-r-9>.

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**Term:** Symbol

**Quote:** A symbol is a representamen which refers only to such objects and in such respects as it might determine an interpretant to refer to those objects in those respects, and is hereby alone essentially a representamen, not in virtue of a physical relation or of an agreement of characters, but by a relation subsisting only by virtue of a representation. There must, therefore, be some general rule which connects the symbol with its objects; and it represents whatever that general rule determines it to represent.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1901-1902 [c.]). *Definitions for Baldwin's Dictionary [R]*. MS [R] 1147.

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