

'External' (pub. 07.04.15-20:08). 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-meaning-preface-9>.

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**Term:** External

**Quote:** A Real object may be External or Internal, i.e. mental, as a dream is. For only that is external whose possession of some character is [not merely] independent of individuals' opinions, but whose possession of any such Real character is independent of any individuals' thought about *any* subject and ideation of every kind.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1909). *Meaning Preface*. MS [R] 637.

**References:** MS [R] 637:27-28

**Date of** 1909

**Quote:**

**Editorial** From variant pages. The inserted words ('not merely') are from a rejected **Annotations** version of the sentence in question.

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