

'Distinction' (pub. 18.07.15-18:23). 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-notes-categories-2>.

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**Term:** Distinction

**Quote:** ...even when one element cannot even be supposed without another, they may oftentimes be distinguished from one another. Thus we can neither imagine nor suppose a taller without a shorter, yet we can distinguish the taller from the shorter. I call this mode of separation *Distinction*.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1885). *Notes on the Categories [R]*. MS [R] 895; MS [W] 545.

**References:** W 5:238; CP 1.353

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