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**Term:** Reason

**Quote:** In the best philosophical use of English words, “reasoning” is a well-known operation of a mind, and “reasoning power” (or, less well, “reason”) is the faculty of performing it. “The Reason” is a totally distinct faculty by which we are supposed to know the truth of first principles. “Reason” means nothing more nor less than conformity to the best result of deliberation.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1902). Paulsen's Kant. *The Nation*, 75, 209-211.

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