

'Habit' (pub. 06.09.15-13:46). 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-study-how-reason-safely-and-efficiently>.

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**Term:** Habit

**Quote:** ...by a *Habit* I shall mean a character of anything, say of B, this character consisting in the fact that under circumstances of a certain kind, say A, B *would* tend to be such as is signified by a determinate predicate, say C. The same thing might be more briefly expressed by saying that I call any *real* "Would-be" a *habit* of the subject of such predication, but by stating the matter more fully I bring into prominence the fact that a "Would-be" is a relation between three objects, A, B, and C.

**Source:** Peirce, C. S. (1913). *A Study of How to Reason Safely and Efficiently*. MS [R] 681.

**References:** MS [R] 681:22

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