The real, according to William James, is "what we in some way find ourselves obliged to take account of."

"That is real," C.S. Peirce says, "which is what it is whatever anyone thinks it is."

According to Charles Hartshorne, "'real' means having a character of its own with reference to which opinions [sc. about it] can be true or false."

"The real," Harshorne says, "is that to which true affirmations refer" (" . . . reality is the object of correct affirmations [that which measures their truth] . . .").

"[R]eality," Hartshorne says, is "that which makes ideas true rather than false."