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My correction to Peter Osborne and Anne Williams's usage of the word 'solipsism' contained an error (Letters, June). The letter that I submitted to *Standpoint* defined solipsism as 'the philosophical doctrine that my percepts alone exist', whereas the published version misspelt 'percepts' as 'precepts'.

Standpoint has therefore misled its readership as to the meaning of 'solipsism' not once, but twice. Those of its number who subscribe to the doctrine have only themselves to blame for this error – assuming, of course, that they exist and are capable of making an error at all. But those who do not may wish to experience the percept of a correction – assuming, of course, that they exist and accept the precept that errors ought to be corrected.