



AFDIA - Chapter Two - Text and Discussion


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Chapter Two Event Summary:

A Few Days In Athens - Chapter Two

- Epicurus introduces Theon to his students and asks them to welcome him, but Epicurus advises them to use their own eyes and ears and not trust his endorsement.
- Introduction of Leontium, female friend and student of Epicurus.
- Leontium states that she has been studying Theophrastus (successor to Aristotle) and found him to be arrogant.
- Leontium states that she and Metrodorus have been debating the question "Whether the vicious were more justly objects of indignation or of contempt."
- Epicurus gives his opinion - "neither" - and states that Time is the teacher of this verdict.
- Epicurus and Metrodorus discuss Metrodorus' past vices and present redemption from them.
- Theon recounts that Timocrates had denounced Epicurus at the Stoic assembly.
- Theon states that Zeno must fail to understand Epicurus' doctrine - Epicurus corrects Theon on this point.



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