

Thoughts On What Lucretius Might Have Considered For The Ending of Book Six - A Comparison Chart of Thucydides and Lucretius

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That passage from Virgil is clearly in reference to Lucretius, as most commentators agree, and is important for another reason; if Lucretius really had killed himself, do we think his greatest admirer would have written those lines *In Memoriam*? It would have been rather callous to write about his "happiness" in that case. That quote is one of two main lines of argument against the suicide claim.