

Pros and Cons Of Considering Epicurean Philosophy To Be A "Religion"

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That Wikipedia entry offers a better translation of *superstitiō* is "religiosity" as opposed to "superstition." Keeping this in mind helps.

And translation of *religio* is "religious scruple" instead of just "religion."

Those Latin spellings can imply meanings of English words that are not actually present, regardless of the similar spelling.

PS. On further thought, "superstition" could be an acceptable translation of *religio* since *religio* is concerned with the outward performance of the correct rituals in hope of a favorable benefit from the gods. It's akin to someone now carrying a rabbits foot for good luck or crossing your fingers or knocking on wood, etc.