

# **Epicurean Philosophical Tenets That We Can Know With Certainty**

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- 1) We must rely on extant texts for knowing what Epicurus said.
- 2) The extant texts do not cover all of what Epicurus taught.
- 3) There is occasionally conflicting evidence between the extant texts.
- 4) We must be careful when using inductive reasoning to arrive at tenets for which there is limited evidence, because we could end up creating "eclectic" or incorrect tenets. We must be clear on which hypotheses we cannot come to any conclusion, when there is a lack of sufficient evidence.

Based on the above, I think it would be good to create a list of tenets. And this would require accurate translations of extant texts, as well as decisions on which texts to include.