

# Did Epicurus Advise Marriage or Not? Diogenes Laertius Text Difficulty

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The only way to figure out what could be the correct one is to:

1. see if there's room for one or two letters if there's a missing piece of the manuscript: MH(N) vs MH(ΔE).
2. If there's not a lacuna, compare ALL the extant manuscripts and calculate where and how the are differences.

If it's the latter, Userner seems to have examined the manuscripts or at least authoritative copies.

If the former, you're right in that one's positive or negative disposition may influence seeing MHN or MHΔE.