

# Methodological Naturalism

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Sections like this one from Lucretius Book 2 incline me strongly toward the first of those two interpretations:

Humphries version around line 1079

Holding this knowledge, you can't help but see

That nature has no tyrants over her,

But always acts of her own will; she has

No part of any godhead whatsoever.

By all that's holy in the tranquil calm

Where the gods pass serene eternal days

I ask you - which of them is strong enough

To rule the sum of things, to hold the reins

Of absolute profundity, or move the skies

To turn together? Who can warm the lands

To fruitfulness with fire sent down from heaven?

Who can be immanent in every time,

In every place - to cloud the world in dark,

To shake the quiet areas of sky

With terrible sound? Who sends the lightning's blast

Even at his own temples? Who departs

To wilderness, but as he goes, in wrath,

Lets fly the bolts that pass the guilty by

And murder undeserving innocents?