

Lucretius - Not Accidents, Not Incidents, But "Contextidents"

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Maciej you mean "now" as referring to "accident" or to "occurrence." I do believe that occurrence would be far superior to "accident." And you are again making the point that I understand - that with "accident" we have a current context in speaking with "professional" philosophers. The problem with that is that I have no real desire to talk with "professional" philosophers, at least those who have no interest in making philosophy understandable to and usable by the general public. The public can understand "events," "symptoms" and "occurrences" as not being accidental. The word "accidental" itself is fatal to the Epicurean point - and I am not at all sure that is not why professional philosophers adopted it in the first place.