

Should Epicureans Celebrate Something Else Instead of Celebrating Halloween?

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I'll add this quote by [Cassius](#) which was posted over in another thread:

Quote

My own view of employing the psychological hedonism argument in this context is that while there is a lot of merit depending on how it is presented (as Twain does), I don't find it particularly useful on the deeper and more important point of decided what the word "pleasure" really should be held to mean. It's one thing to say that every in truth acts for what they think will bring them the best result, but how that result correlates to "pleasure" is really the issue, and saying that "everyone does it" doesn't really help with that, at least from my point of view. All the other lemmings may be jumping off the cliff, but observing that everyone is doing it doesn't really help me decide that I should follow that path myself.

But I see the point being, just because everyone else is doing something doesn't mean that I should choose to do something.