

What would Epicurus have thought of going to the moon?

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There's also the issue of natural philosophy as well as the anachronistic nature of the situation proposed. Epicurus' life predated so much of our contemporary knowledge, although his thinking in many ways laid the groundwork for it. If he was presented in his day with the opportunity to go to the moon, might the intellectual pleasure of exploring a piece of the sky override the potential dangers involved?

Further, if somehow he turned up in our time with the opportunity to go to the moon, what would he make of the world we live in, and how would going to the moon compare to the cacophonous conglomeration of stimuli in which we spend our days?

I may be getting too far afield though. [Eikadistes](#) answer is probably the most direct and convincing response 👍