

Dead Reddit / The "Isms" Thread

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I don't use the ism version because it sounds very clunky to me-- the sound is unattractive, and the ism doesn't even sound like it belongs with the rest of the word but is instead weirdly tacked on.

"Epicurean" has a pleasing and more elegant sound. "Epicurean Philosophy" has a smooth, rhythmic rise and fall. "I am Epicurean" instead of "I practice Epicureanism." That's just my subjective opinion. But Elli's explanation strengthens my dislike of the ism form.

EP is just bc of typing with a finger on the phone-- I read it as Epicurean Philosophy the same as I read "because" for bc, "in my opinion" for IMO, and so on.