

Can Emotions be Trusted?

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Thanks, Don - that makes WAY more sense: decisions based on emotional reactions rather than emotional impulses. I obviously balked at the way DeWitt put it. You can't go by anticipated reaction either, until you have gained the wisdom of experience. So you could argue, the young are not good Epicureans, despite their hedonism, because they lack experience in what will reliably and safely confer pleasure or pain.

As you say, Martin, we use reason to make our best guesses until experience fills in the gap.