

Review of: "Does Philosophy Matter? The Urgent Need for a Philosophical Revolution"

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I enjoyed this article and totally agree that education has been obsessed with knowledge and not with improving the world. As someone who has studied philosophy in regard to linguistic studies, the evolution of the many different world cultures and their ways of thinking and behaving are so necessary to the study of language and how it develops and breaks down. Philosophy helps us to understand how humans have evolved differently. This knowledge is vital for better acceptance of other views and values if we are to move past the constant tensions there are amongst people in plural societies. Herodotus, the ancient Greek philosopher, considered the father of history, was particularly interested in people movements and their effects on identity. He observed that cultures would decline if incomers did not respect, honour and concur with the values and customs of their host nations. In the UK we have a situation of rules for some and not for others resulting from cultures in residence who do not follow our legal practice, particularly in respect of domestic law. If the article developed to relate philosophy to present day circumstances in examples it would be enhanced in my view!

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