

# Could a rock be conscious?

Philip says:

*We've been trying to explain how consciousness arises out of the brain for years, and we've got nowhere. Rather than trying to explain how consciousness can emerge out of physical matter, we should say that physical matter emerges from consciousness.*

Henry says:

*There is no reason to think that rocks are conscious. Only humans and other animals like dogs, cats, horses, and octopuses can be conscious.*



What do you think?

Panpsychism is the view that *everything* has a mind. It's a popular view in Eastern religions like Hindu mysticism.

