You Might Be a Philosopher …

- If you don’t know you exist ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you can write a book about how the translation of one Greek word can change the interpretation of the Platonic corpus ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you annoy all your relatives because you can beat them in any argument no matter what the issue is ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you talk at the television when an ad or a political commentator has just committed a fallacy ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you can argue both sides of an issue until you honestly have no idea what to think about anymore ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you can silence a roomful of people because you’re able to point out a fallacy that someone else just committed, and explain why committing it is a problem ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you cannot adequately define what a chair is ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you know what ‘epistemology’ means and how to use it in a sentence ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you criticize every theory about anything, but you have no theory to replace it ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you are constantly told that you think too much ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you didn’t laugh when Clinton said that “it depends on what the meaning of ‘is’ is” because you know at least three meanings of ‘is,’ ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you’re convinced that you know nothing ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you can argue for 24 hours straight about whether the universe had a cause without thinking that you just might be wasting your time ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you, instead of telling them you’re not interested, invite religious proselytizers into your dwelling so you can attempt to prove them wrong, just for grins and giggles ... you might be a philosopher.
- If you understood and/or laughed at any of these items ... you might be a philosopher.

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