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Nick Cohen's triad of political cults—Scottish nationalism, Euro-scepticism and the far-Left—would seem to have an incongruous member (Screen, October). The clue is in the name 'Euro-scepticism'. For a sceptic has a critical or inquiring attitude, or has doubts about a doctrine or set beliefs. In short, the sceptic is one who resists the dogmatic attitude of a cult.

Indeed, Nick Cohen, if he wishes truly '...to resist the spirit of an age which proclaims that doubt is profane', ought to think a little bit harder, and a little bit more critically, as to what represents the greatest political dogma of the age. Here are some more clues for Nick and those other journalists in need of help: cults often make the critical discussion of the terms of their membership taboo and they are often founded on the dogmatic belief that their members have an inexorable historical destiny to fulfil, or vision to realize. Still perplexed? Another clue is in the name 'Euro-scepticism'.