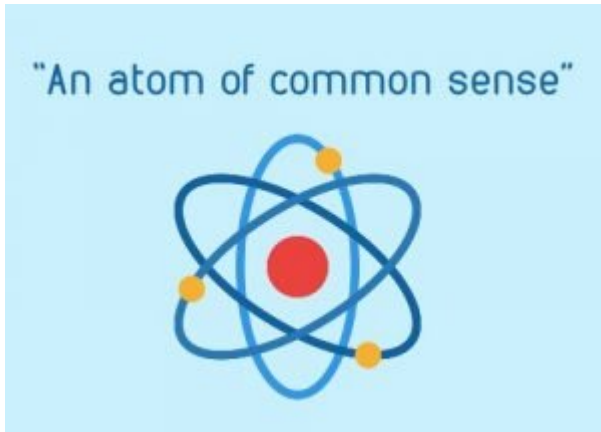


An atom of common sense

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“Atom” (átomo) you may know. It has figurative (figurativo) uses too.

Contemplate these:

- There is not an atom of truth in what Mr. Putin says (...no tiene ni pizca de verdad).
- Mr. Trump sometimes says something that no one with an atom of common sense would say (...que diría nadie con una pizca de sentido común).
- If the Spanish Prime Minister had an atom of common sense (...si tuviera una gota de sentido común), he would form (formaría) a coalition with the main parties.
- Even someone with an atom of common sense would realize (realizaría) that the Venezuelan elections are a fraud.
- Sometimes, mortals “smash things to atoms” (hacer algo añicos), that is, to break things into very small pieces.