

Superstitions

Are you superstitious? Do you believe in good and bad luck?

Exercise 1. Do these actions bring good or bad luck? Write G (good) or B (bad):

- 1) A black cat walks across your path _____
- 2) Walking on a crack in the pavement _____
- 3) Putting a horseshoe above your door _____
- 4) Finding a four-leaf clover _____
- 5) Walking under a ladder _____
- 6) Putting new shoes on a table _____
- 7) Seeing three butterflies together _____
- 8) Pulling out a loose eyelash _____
- 9) Opening an umbrella indoors _____



Song suggestion: "Superstition": <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JL9eO4-aDMs> (5 mins)

Exercise 2. Match the actions on the left with the consequences on the right:

| | |
|--|---|
| 1. If you break a mirror, | a) a visitor is coming. |
| 2. If your ears are burning, | b) you will have good health in the winter. |
| 3. If a bee enters your home, | c) you will have seven years of bad luck. |
| 4. If you dream about a lizard, | d) you are going on a journey. |
| 5. If your right foot itches, | e) you have a secret enemy. |
| 6. If you catch a falling leaf on the first day of autumn, | f) you will never see him/her again. |
| 7. If you say goodbye to a friend on a bridge, | g) someone is talking about you. |

Answers (in white):

Exercise 3. (verbal) What do you know about these superstitions?

- 1) Touch wood
- 2) Friday the 13th
- 3) A rabbit's foot
- 4) Throw salt over your left shoulder
- 5) Whistle indoors
- 6) Spilled salt