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If you want to find your prince, you will have to kiss a lot of frogs.
Anonymous

If something bad can happen, it will

1 GRAMMAR *if* + present, *will* + base form

a Match the sentence halves.

Here are six more examples of Murphy's Law:

- 1 If you don't remember to take an umbrella, c
- 2 If you're in a hurry,
- 3 If you drop a slice of toast on the floor,
- 4 If you forget to take a map,
- 5 If a door says "Pull,"
- 6 If you're looking for a girlfriend,

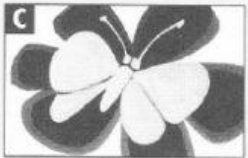
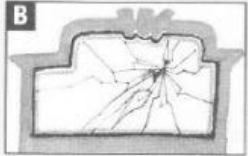
- a something will go wrong to slow you down.
- b you'll get lost.
- c it'll rain.
- d when you finally meet someone you like, they won't like you.
- e you'll push it first.
- f it'll land buttered-side down.

b Circle the correct form.

- 1 If you **(take)** / **will take** Vitamin C, you won't get a cold.
- 2 If the kids play baseball there, they **break** / **will break** the window!
- 3 I'll call you tomorrow if I **hear** / **will hear** any news.
- 4 If you **stay** / **will stay** at that hotel, it'll be very expensive.
- 5 Jack **is** / **will be** sad if he doesn't see you tomorrow.
- 6 If you **see** / **will see** an accident, call the police!
- 7 You **be** / 'll **be** cold if you go out without a coat.
- 8 If you go to bed early tonight, you **feel** / **will feel** better in the morning.

c Read and match the paragraphs to the correct pictures, A–G.

Traditions and Superstitions



1 The tooth fairy D

If a child puts (put) a lost tooth under the pillow at night, the tooth fairy _____ (come) during the night and leave behind some money.

2 Good luck

If the first butterfly you _____ (see) in the year is white, you _____ (have) good luck all year.

3 Ladders

If you _____ (walk) under a ladder, you _____ (have) bad luck for a year.

4 Throwing a coin in a fountain

If you _____ (throw) a coin into a well or fountain and _____ (make) a wish, the wish _____ (come) true.

5 Gold at the end of a rainbow

If you _____ (dig) at the end of a rainbow, you _____ (find) gold.

6 Mirrors

If you _____ (break) a mirror, you _____ (have) seven years of bad luck.

7 Bees

If a bee _____ (fly) into your home, soon you _____ (have) a visitor. If you _____ (kill) the bee, you _____ (have) bad luck, or the visitor _____ (be) someone you don't like.

2 VOCABULARY confusing verbs

Complete the sentences with the correct verbs.

- 1 She was wearing blue earrings and carrying a red bag. (carry, wear)
- 2 Tiger Woods has already _____ a lot of golf tournaments and _____ a fortune, though he's still fairly young. (earn, win)
- 3 Jack was _____ that his girlfriend would call to say she was sorry. He _____ by the phone all evening, but, unfortunately, she never called him. (hope, wait)
- 4 My parents _____ the whole wedding video, but my brother decided to _____ the photos instead. (look at, watch)
- 5 I've _____ her for years. I _____ her when we were in college. (know, meet)
- 6 If you _____ the dinner, I'll _____ the dishes. (do, make)
- 7 **A** Do I _____ OK, Mom?
B You _____ fantastic – in fact you _____ your father when he was young. (look, look like)