

Unit 4 Quiz

Name: _____
Date: _____ Score: _____ / 50 points

A Listen to a conversation between two friends, Jill and Karl. Then check (✓) the correct answers. [8 POINTS]

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| 1. The baseball pitcher _____.
☐ a. cuts his hair after each game
☐ b. does a dance before pitching
☐ c. brings his rabbit to every game | 3. Karl makes a wish _____.
☐ a. whenever he sees the time is 11:11
☐ b. every day at 11:11
☐ c. when someone says it's 11:11 |
| 2. The soccer player _____.
☐ a. shaves his head before games
☐ b. calls himself the "rabbit guy"
☐ c. cuts his hair every four years | 4. Jill thinks _____ keeps her healthy.
☐ a. listening to "I Feel Good"
☐ b. going to the doctor
☐ c. listening to any kind of music |

B Choose the phrase that best completes each conversation. [6 POINTS]

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| 1. A: My wallet was stolen, and I just broke my glasses!
B: I'm sorry. You've had some _____! | a. push your luck |
| 2. A: I thought you said you'd never bowled before.
B: I hadn't. I won because of _____. | b. out of luck |
| 3. A: Are there any other banks open at this hour?
B: I'm afraid you're _____. They all close at 5:00. | c. bad luck |
| 4. A: I got a pay raise! Now I'm going to ask for more vacation days.
B: Hmm, maybe you shouldn't _____. | d. best of luck |
| 5. A: I'm developing a new app, and I'll be rich soon.
B: _____! People can make a lot of money on apps. | e. no such luck |
| 6. A: I heard you won a new car in a raffle! Congratulations!
B: _____. It was my sister who won it, actually. | f. beginner's luck |

C Put the words in order to make sentences with reporting clauses. [10 POINTS]

- is / believe / spilling salt / I / bad luck / that

- it's / on the fourth floor / argue / to live / unlucky / Chinese people

- bad luck / walking / many people / under a ladder / feel / brings / that

- more money / it brings / that / Argentinians / find money, / assert / if you

- say / when you wear blue / Americans / good / your marriage / that / at your wedding, / will be

D Circle the word that best completes each sentence. [6 POINTS]

1. I never believe Milton. He just told us a *credible* / *far-fetched* story about catching a bear.
2. Ray's résumé is true, but some of the information is *misleading* / *believable*.
3. Jared gave a *convincing* / *phony* performance and deserves an award for it.
4. She is an honest person. It's not *iffy* / *conceivable* that she would have stolen that money.
5. Ian had a *well-founded* / *fishy* reason for using my car without asking, so I wasn't upset.
6. Some movies seem so *dubious* / *plausible* because the storylines are like real life.

E Complete the sentences with the verbs in parentheses. Use a reporting clause in the passive with *it*. More than one answer is possible. [12 POINTS]

Example: *It is claimed that* _____ coffee is the world's most recognizable smell. (claim)

1. _____ fingernails grow much faster than toenails. (report)
2. _____ more men are hit by lightning than women. (say)
3. _____ some birds eat 14 feet of worms every day. (assert)
4. _____ a bike is faster than a car in Tokyo because of traffic. (argue)
5. _____ the inventor of the light bulb was afraid of the dark. (believe)
6. _____ you can eat at a different restaurant every day in New York and not go to the same one twice. (assume)

F Read the article. Then circle the correct answers according to the text. [8 POINTS]

Most people think about their looks when they get dressed, but some people think about luck. That's correct: Some people are superstitious about the clothing they wear as well as the accessories they use.

Some clothing and accessories are said to bring bad luck. Umbrellas were designed to protect people from bad weather. Since it doesn't rain inside a home, it's thought to be unlucky to open an umbrella indoors. Some even think you might lose your house if you do so. Likewise, many people feel it's unlucky to wear a hat indoors, and some say you will get a headache. Another superstition claims that if you leave a hat on a bed or a table, there will be an argument in the house. But umbrellas and hats aren't the only things to be careful with. Some say that if you put your purse on the ground, you will remain poor or become broke.

It's not all about bad luck, though. An old superstition says that a bride will have a happy marriage if, at her wedding, she wears something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue. Many brides still follow this superstition. But luck from clothing doesn't just happen for weddings. For example, it's claimed that it's lucky if you accidentally put clothing on inside out. But be sure to keep your clothes on inside out to stay lucky! Others say wearing the color purple is lucky. It's the color of royalty and could bring you wealth.

You may or may not think these superstitions are credible, but they are easy to follow if you don't want to take any chances with your luck.

1. An open umbrella inside a house could cause *bad weather* / *headaches* / *the loss of a home*.
2. Leaving a purse on *the floor* / *a table* / *a bed* might cause you to be poor.
3. If you put clothing on inside out, *reverse it* / *keep it that way* / *put on something else* to be lucky.
4. Some people think they might *get married* / *get money* / *be happy* if they wear the color purple.