

Complete the article by choosing the correct form of the verb.

The History of Superstitions

How long have people had / has people had superstitions? Probably since the world begun / began. For thousands of years, people has looked / have looked for ways to explain why certain things happen.

The evil eye



The superstition of the evil eye existed / has existed in Greece since ancient times. The ancient Greeks have believed / believed that some people could have a bad effect on others just by looking at them. Since then, Greek people have worn / wear special bracelets with a blue 'eye' on them to protect them from evil.

The number 13



Why has this number become / has this number become an unlucky number? Some people say it is because there are / were 13 people at the Christ's last meal. Friday the 13th hasn't always been / haven't always been an unlucky date. People only started / start being superstitious about it in the 20th century, but no one really knows why

Cats

For centuries, people think / have thought that cats have magical powers. For this reason, the ancient Egyptians kept / keep cats in their homes and didn't allow / do not allow anyone to treat them badly.

