

Vocabulary and Listening

Verbs of movement (2)

1 3.12 Listen and repeat the words in the box.

touch carry break drop spill walk cross open pick scratch meet put

Good (and bad) luck with British superstitions!

<p>1 Before an exam or other important event, ... your fingers for good luck.</p> 	<p>7 And never ... an umbrella indoors. It's unlucky.</p> 
<p>2 Don't ... your nose, or you'll have an argument with someone.</p> 	<p>8 ... a four-leaf clover and you'll have love, health, money and fame!</p> 
<p>3 To make sure that something you say with confidence won't bring you bad luck, ... something made of wood as you say it.</p> 	<p>9 If you ... some salt, throw some of it over your shoulder to make sure you don't have bad luck.</p> 
<p>4 Don't ... your shoes on the table, or you'll have bad luck for the rest of the day.</p> 	<p>10 Expect something good to happen if you ... a glass and it breaks.</p> 
<p>5 Try to ... a black cat, because it's lucky. But be careful - it's unlucky if it walks in front of you!</p> 	<p>11 But don't ... a mirror, or you'll have bad luck for seven years.</p> 
<p>6 Never ... under a ladder, or somebody will have an accident.</p> 	<p>12 ... a lucky charm with you to make sure you always have good luck!</p> 

2 Read the article and complete the sentences with words from exercise 1.

3 3.13 Listen and check your answers.

4 Are there any superstitions in your country? What superstitions do people have? Complete the sentences.

People say it's lucky to ...
People say it's unlucky to ...

5 3.14 Listen to part of a radio programme about superstitions. Who ...

- 1 believes in superstitions?
- 2 doesn't believe in superstitions?
- 3 isn't certain that he or she believes in superstitions?

6 Listen again. Are the sentences true or false? Correct the false sentences.

- 1 Becky said she had a bad experience when she saw a black cat.
- 2 Becky doesn't believe in bad luck.
- 3 In the past, Darren wasn't a superstitious person.
- 4 Darren sometimes walks under ladders now.
- 5 Tina lost something special last year.
- 6 Tina is superstitious because she is always having bad luck.