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Titel:	Friday the 13th
Reihe:	Origins and Popular Superstitions of the "Unlucky Day"
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Kurzvorstellung:	<p>Dieses fertig ausgearbeitete Arbeitsblatt für den direkten Unterrichtseinsatz in Englisch behandelt Freitag den 13. als Unglückstag im englischsprachigen Raum. Immer wenn der 13. Tag eines Monats ausgerechnet auf einen Freitag fällt, würden sich viele Menschen gerne einfach nur im Bett verkriechen und die Bettdecke tief über den Kopf ziehen. Denn dem Aberglauben nach droht an diesem Tag besonderes Unglück.</p> <p>Woher kommt dieser Glaube an den Unglückstag? Stimmt es wirklich, dass an diesem Tag überdurchschnittlich viele Unfälle passieren? Dieses Arbeitsblatt versucht den Mythos „Freitag der 13.“ näher darzustellen und seine Herkunft zu erklären. Dabei wird immer ein direkter Bezug zu den Vorstellungen der Schüler/innen hergestellt.</p> <p>Arbeitsblätter komplett in englischer Sprache!</p>
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Friday the 13th – Superstition against your will

Task 1a) What do you associate with 'Friday the 13th'? Write down at least five key words and keep them secret. Now, describe one key word to the class just by using physical gestures or verbal clues. As soon as someone out of your class has guessed your word correctly, put down the key word in a mind map on the black board.



Task 1b) Cover up the mind map. Now, write down all the terms you still remember and give synonyms/translate them. Subsequently, compare with a neighbour and add vocabulary you have missed.

Task 2) Do you consider yourself superstitious? Do the test and find out!

1. **Do you put a charm in your pocket if you have to take a really difficult test/exam that day?**
 - A Just one? Better combine a lucky charm bracelet AND a gemstone with my favorite pair of trousers. How else would I feel calm and confident?
 - B Honestly, show me a person who takes exams without some backup charm and I show you a person with no feelings!
 - C Well, if I don't have to repeat that publicly I would confess that a lucky charm is in my pocket.
2. **You are walking down a dark alley; doors unseen are squeaking and the wind howls... When a black cat crosses your path from left to right you ...**
 - A ...consider running away but you faint within seconds.
 - B ...pull out your phone - just to check the time, of course.
 - C ...keep on humming that catchy tune you heard on the radio yesterday.
3. **How do you behave on a Friday the 13th?**
 - A Fortunately, my parents are as cautious as I am and therefore authorize my absence from school. I don't want to die young!
 - B I may frown a little when I get a look at the calendar, but don't believe this day to be better or worse than any other.
 - C Same procedure as every Friday: Endure school first, then head home quickly to meet friends and enjoy the weekend!
4. **Do you remember if anything bad ever happened to you on a Friday the 13th?**
 - A Yes, indeed! I lost my wallet once on a Friday the 13th, and I got a bad mark in physics as well.
 - B I don't remember anything in particular.
 - C No, and even if something bad had ever happened to me on a Friday the 13th, it was not necessarily connected to the date.
5. **Is anyone in your family or a close friend superstitious?**
 - A My grandmother still believes in some sayings she was taught when she was a little girl.
 - B Some of my family pretends not to believe in it, but I know that my mother still wants me to finish off my plate because a German saying says that if you eat everything up today, the sun will shine tomorrow.
 - C No, everyone in my family is either a doctor or a nuclear physicist.
6. **What is the difference between breaking a dish and breaking a mirror?**
 - A Obviously breaking a mirror leads to seven years of bad luck, whereas breaking a dish means good luck! Who doesn't know that?
 - B I do not know about breaking mirrors, but isn't breaking dishes a traditional element of the German "Polterabend"?
 - C I guess the mirror will be more expensive so I'll have to hand over some of my pocket money to pay for it.

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