

**Bad luck
superstitions of
Russia and Ireland**

Everything supernatural and mysterious has always attracted the mankind . It is a personal matter whether to believe in omens or not . But even those who do not consider themselves superstitious instinctively do not like to face the omens of misfortune . let's talk about bad luck superstitions of Russia and Ireland.

Russian superstitions

As in all other countries, we believe in superstitions and signs that bring bad or good luck. To say more – Russians firmly believe that their destiny is only partially under their control, but there are other external factors which they cannot control and which make a big impact on their wellbeing.

The threshold of the house is the territory of evil

- You must not stand on the threshold of a house or apartment, and you must not talk across it or hand anything across it. The ancient Slavs considered threshold is the territory of evil. The matter of fact is that in ancient times the ashes of ancestors were kept under the threshold of the house; and harassing them was considered extremely dangerous.



Spilling salt on a dinner table is not good

- People believe that it leads to a quarrel in a family and to cancel the hex you have to throw a pinch of salt above your left shoulder. Not many people know the origins of that superstition – many years ago salt was extremely valuable, so spilling such a precious product could have easily lead to a quarrel among relatives.



Bottles on the table

- Another dinner table superstition is to immediately take away empty bottles from the table. Even now most people do that. The origin of this tradition is in heavy drinking that was taking place in Russia, which often lead to quarrels and violent fights.



Irish superstitions

The Irish have always been a superstitious lot. These superstitions give the Irish a certain charm that no other people seem to have. The many different superstitions and sayings show off the wit that the Irish people have. This article lists a few such Irish superstitions.

Stumbling near a grave is a very bad omen

You will have to walk very carefully in the graveyard. If you stumble and fall or even touch the ground, the superstition says you will die by the end of the year.



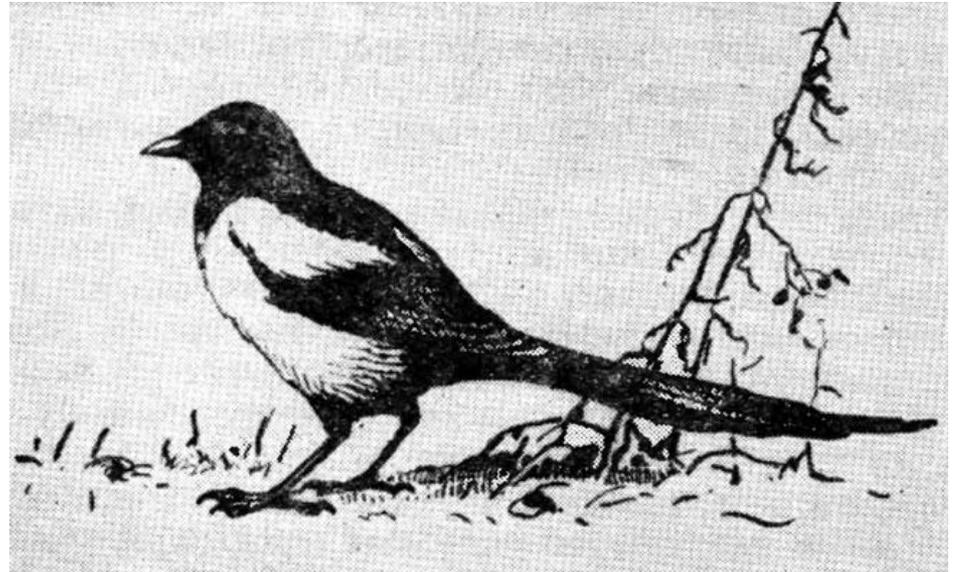
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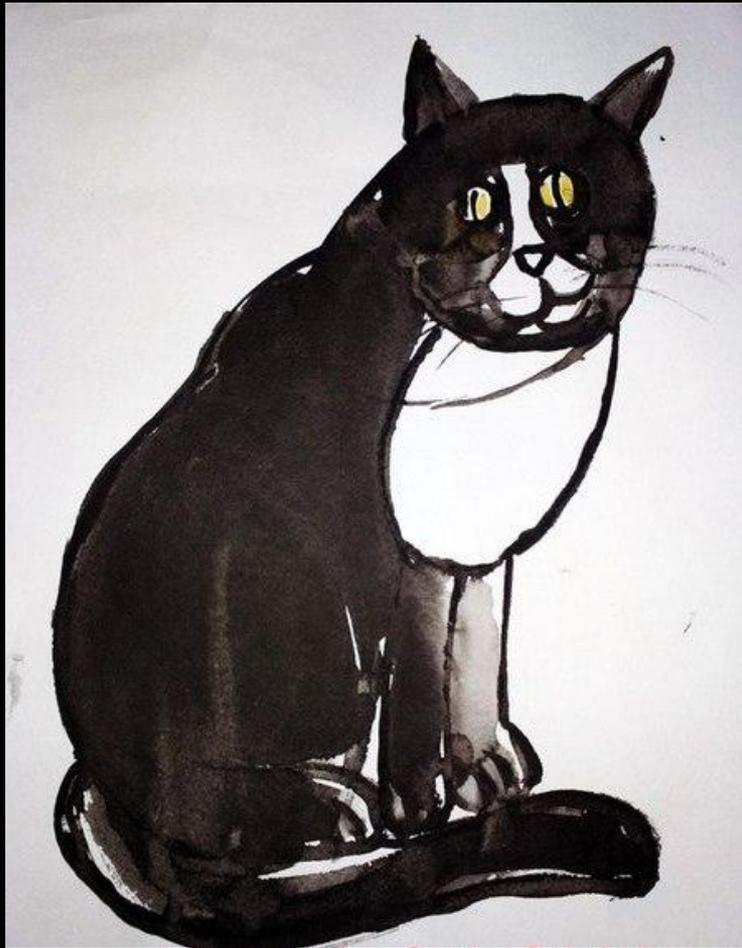
The Irish believe that a dead hand can cure any and all the diseases . Many times in the past, a house with a corpse would have many visitors who would come just for healing. The dead person's hand would be laid upon the sick and diseased and this was believed to cure them of all their diseases.



Magpies are the messengers of doom for the Irish.

If a magpie comes to a person's door and looks at him, the person is doomed.





Have fun with these superstitions, and be sure to treat them in good spirits. They are simply meant to bring happiness and good fortune to your life

Thank you for attention