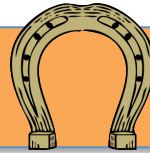


Big Questions: Luck



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Most cultures believe in luck in some form, although they may express this in very different ways.

The Chinese believe that what you do on the Lunar New Year can affect your luck for the coming year. There are therefore certain things that you shouldn't do on this day such as sweeping (because this 'sweeps away' the good luck) or lending or borrowing money (because it leads to debt).

In the United Kingdom, we use many common symbols to represent luck, such as the four-leaf clover, a black cat or a horseshoe.

The idea of luck raises some big questions. These questions could be discussed in a classroom situation or amongst smaller groups. To ensure that each pupil contributes, give everybody an object that they hand in once they have asked or answered a question.

