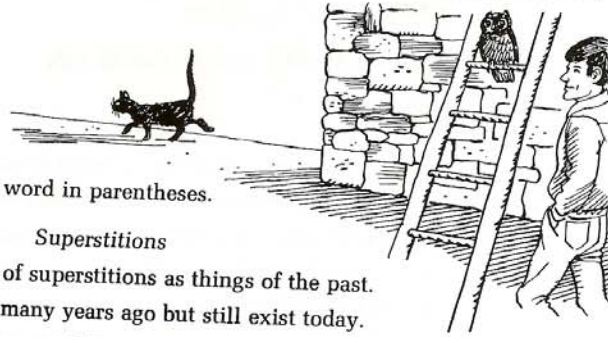


## UNIT VIII/LESSON 79

## Choosing Standard Forms

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Draw a line under the appropriate word in parentheses.

*Superstitions*

1. (We, Us) students may think of superstitions as things of the past.
2. These beliefs (began, begun) many years ago but still exist today.
3. (Are, Is) there many forms of superstitions?
4. Many people are (learned, taught) that breaking a mirror is bad luck.
5. Horseshoes (are, is) thought to be good-luck charms.
6. People who fear Friday the thirteenth (is, are) superstitious.
7. Is it dangerous for (won, one) to walk under a ladder?
8. Accidents (is, are) often thought to be the result of evil forces.
9. Magnets (were, was) once believed to be able to heal people.
10. Some said that sickness could be healed (buy, by) eating walnuts.
11. Others said you would be healed if you (drank, drunk) special potions.
12. Patients (were, was) sometimes helped because of their faith in these methods.
13. Will bad luck come (to, too, two) someone who meets a funeral procession?
14. If your (right, write) or left ear burns, someone is talking about you.
15. (Its, It's) believed that a sneeze is a bad omen.
16. Would you become ill if you (drunk, drank) milk after you (ate, eaten) fish?
17. (We, Us) old-timers know several superstitions about animals.
18. The cry of (an, a) owl announces the approach of death.
19. Black cats (are, is) signs of bad luck.
20. A rabbit's foot (are, is) a good-luck charm.
21. (There, Their) are people who claim (to, too, two) have magical powers.
22. I am sure (your, you're) familiar with fortune-tellers.
23. Fortune-telling is (knot, not) new.
24. Even the ancient Egyptians (were, was) advised by fortune-tellers.
25. (For, Four) centuries people have longed to know the future.
26. Can future events be (saw, seen) in a crystal ball?
27. Scientists (themselves, theirselves) may be superstitious about some things.
28. Haven't you (never, ever) (took, taken) a walk around a ladder?
29. Have you ever (broke, broken) a mirror and then worried about bad luck?