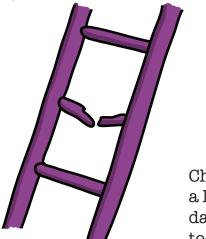


Some say that walking under a ladder will bring bad luck! How do you think this superstition began? Write a story telling how or why you think it got started.
Do you believe in this superstition? Why or why not?

Walking Under a Ladder



The Real Origins:

As it turns out, early Christians felt the triangle was a sacred sign that represented the Holy Trinity of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. When a ladder was pushed against a building, it would form the shape of a triangle, and thus, by walking under it, you were breaking the triangle.

This was such a bad thing to do that early Christians would often label anyone who walked under a ladder to be a witch in league with Satan! Back in those days, that would be even worse than having a bucket of tools fall on your head.

If "breaking a triangle" is bad luck, are there other daily activities you can think of that may bring bad luck in the same way?
Imagine you lived centuries ago and you just walked under a ladder on accident! How would you counter the bad luck given from walking under a ladder? Would you use an herbal remedy, a counter-curse or a ritual? Be creative!