The Faraway Memories

---- Superstitions in people's life

As the beginning of this passage, we have to know that superstitions are beliefs that are inconsistent with the known laws of science or what society considers to be true and rational. That means we will be influenced by these superstitions as long as we are a part of this society.

Firstly, superstitions can limit people’s behaviors and also push some people to do something unreasonable. For example, people in America think that Friday the 13th is the unluckiest of days. So their hotels have no 13th floor, and even a hotel number ending in 13 may be refused. Many Americans will not schedule important events such as weddings or major surgery on this day which can make millions of dollars be lost in business on this day. Secondly, the appearance of traditional superstitions can be seemed as the bad or good memories to the past. 13th is bad because it is associated with the biblical Last Supper where Jesus Christ dined with his twelve disciples just before being arrested and crucified. Also, in China, people go to a temple to pray for good luck because in the traditional Chinese myth, those gods in temple can control people’s life easily. It is obvious that those faraway stories, even some of them have been forgotten, cause superstitions in our life. Thirdly, a superstition can be one's spiritual sustenance which encourage one to do better in life. For example, baseball players may have their lucky baseball bat which makes him feel having more chance to hit the ball. Also, Chinese like number 8 because it can make us feel lucky. And also it is good memories that make us have this kind of superstitions.

All in all, the superstition reflects our faraway memories whether they are unlucky or lucky. And it influence us a lot.