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“cross my heart and hope to die”？为什么他们喜欢握手？为什么给男孩穿蓝色的衣服，给女孩穿粉红色的衣服？为什么在婚礼上要朝新郎，新娘洒大米？从今天开始就将帮助大家找出这些风俗习惯的背景和缘由。美国人在每次过生日时，不仅庆祝年龄又大了一岁，而且也庆祝又一年过去了。因此，蜡烛既是生命和死亡的象征，也是希望和恐惧的象征。当过生日的人对考试大着蜡烛许愿时，他/她是在祈求神的庇护以便能够交好运。当过生日的人吹熄蜡烛时，他/她则是在希望自己能掌握即将降临到自己身上的任何事情。With each birthday, Americans not only celebrate growth but also the passing of another year. Thus, candles are symbols of both life and death, as well as both hope and fear. When a person makes a wish over these symbols, he or she invokes powers for good fortune. And when that person snuffs out these symbols, he or she expresses the hope to have a degree of control over whatever lies in store for him or her. 小贴士 invoke: (1)援用某事物为行动依据或理由 The government has invoked the Official Secrets Act in having the book banned. 政府援引国家机密保密法以禁该书。(2)以祷告祈求某事物 invoke vengeance(up)on ones enemies 求神降或祸给敌人 100Test 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问

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