

Folklore and Mythology

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Examines witchcraft from cross-cultural, historical, literary, and folkloric points of view. Considers witches and witchcraft in their non-Western settings, but focuses on events in Europe and America, tracing the development from the relatively mild reaction of the early Middle Ages to the "witch crazes" of the early modern era. Neopaganism is also reviewed, as are such issues as the "Satanic panic" and "cult cops."