From uttering a prayer before boarding a plane to exploring past lives through hypnosis, has superstition become pervasive in contemporary culture? Robert Park, the best-selling author of *Voodoo Science: The Road from Foolishness to Fraud*, argues that it has. In his latest book, *Superstition: Belief in the Age of Science*, Dr. Park asks why people persist in superstitious convictions long after science has shown them to be ill-founded. He takes on supernatural beliefs from religion and the afterlife to New Age spiritualism and faith-based medical claims, concluding that science is the only way we have of understanding the world.

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