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Night Flight, Set 4B



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Why does the sight of a bat flying in the night sky frighten some people? Lots of people think of the bats they have seen in frightening films.

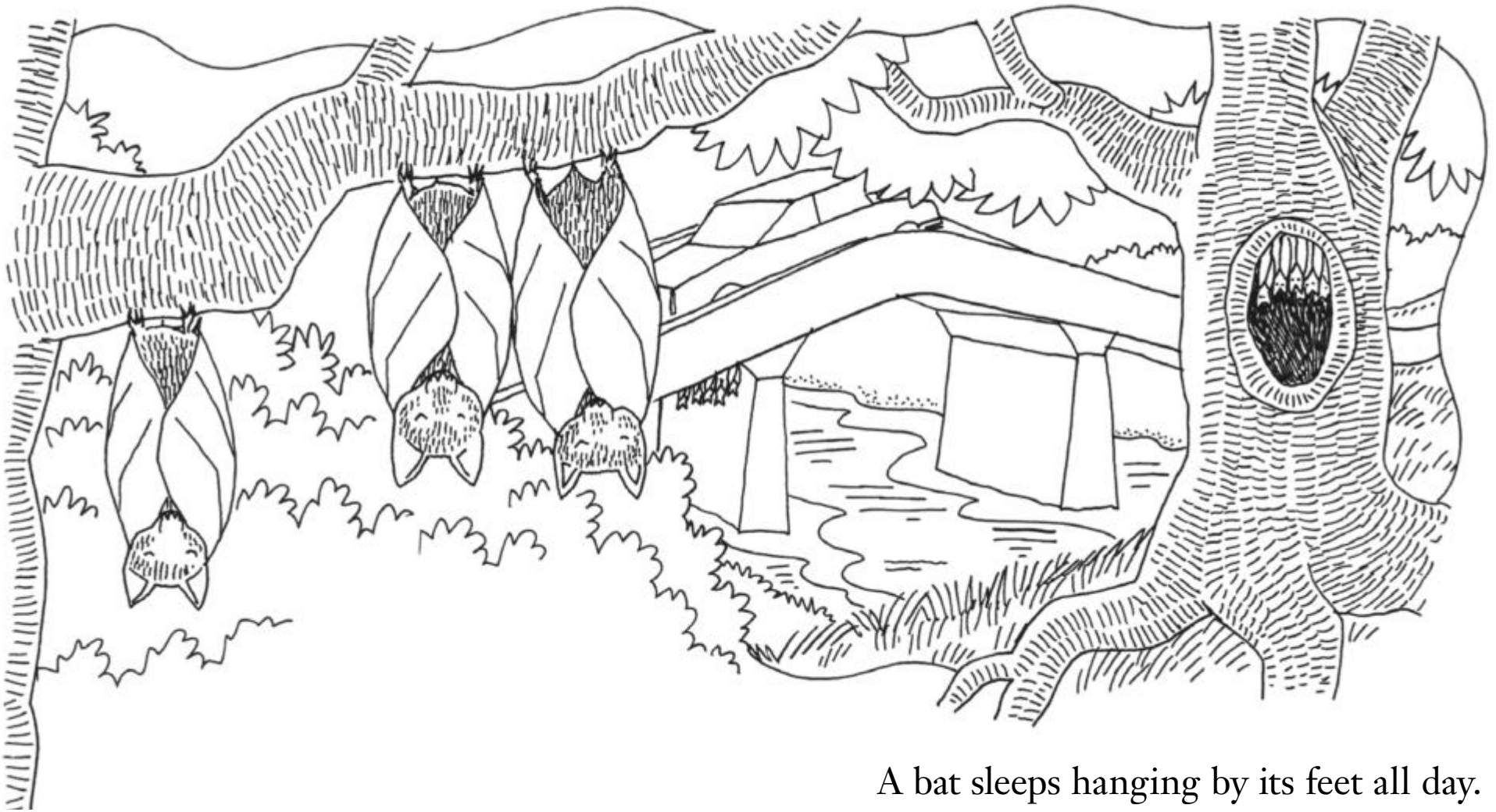
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These people might be happy to find out that the bats in the sky are catching bugs for food.

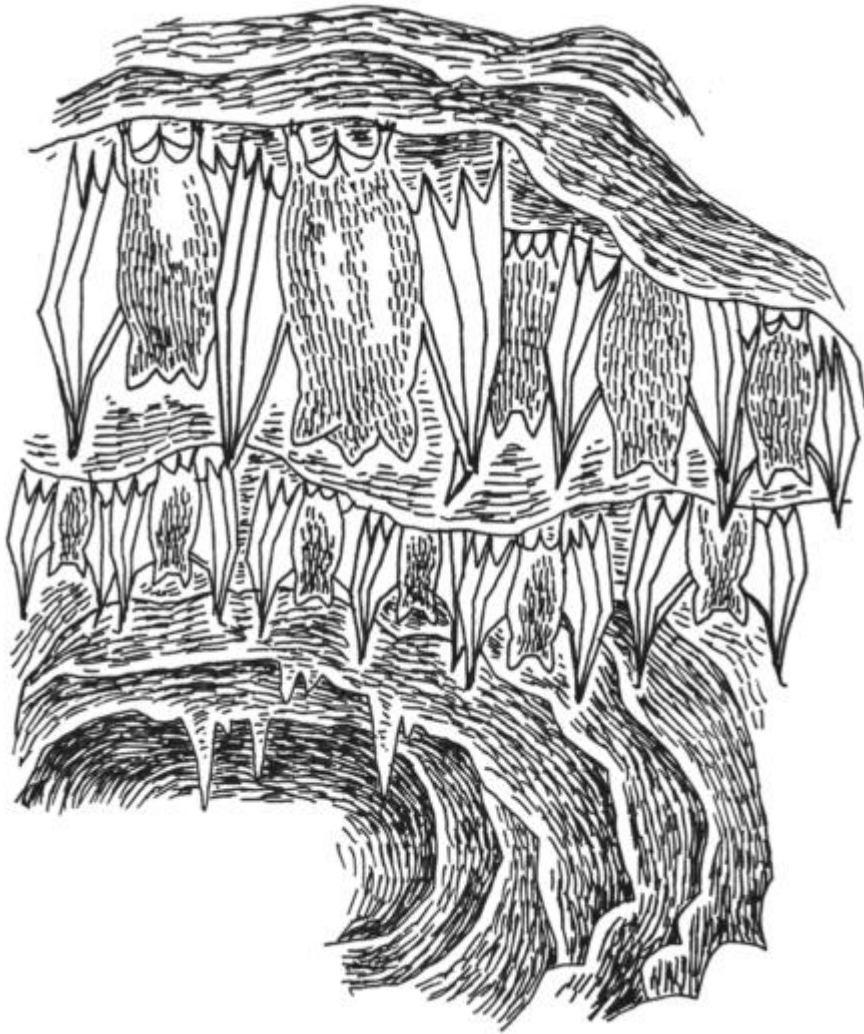


A bat looks a bit like a mouse with wings. But a bat can take flight, unlike a mouse. Bats' wings are not made of feathers. They are made of skin. This makes the wings thin and light, so bats can fly fast.

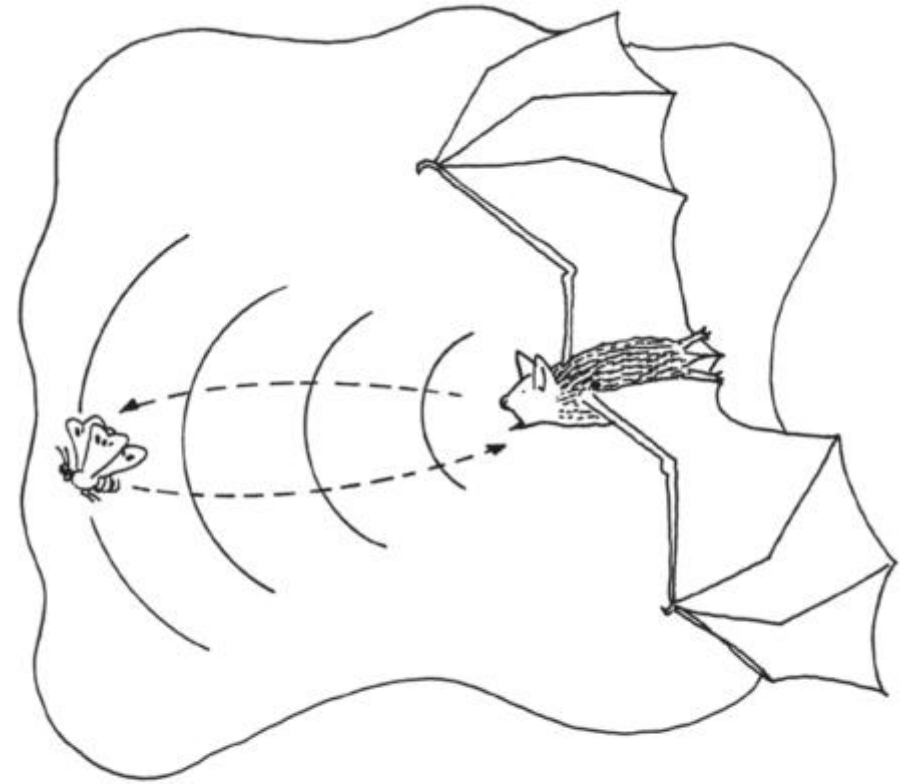


Bats stay out of the bright light of day. They just come out at night. Night is the best time to catch bugs.

A bat sleeps hanging by its feet all day. It sleeps with its wings tightly folded around itself. Some bats might hang from a beam under a road and some might hang from the branch of a tree.



Some bats live alone. Some might “hang out” with lots of other bats in a cave.



Bats make high-pitched sounds to help them find food. They aim the sound at a bug, and the sound comes back to them. This tells the bat right where its food is. People cannot hear these high-pitched sounds.

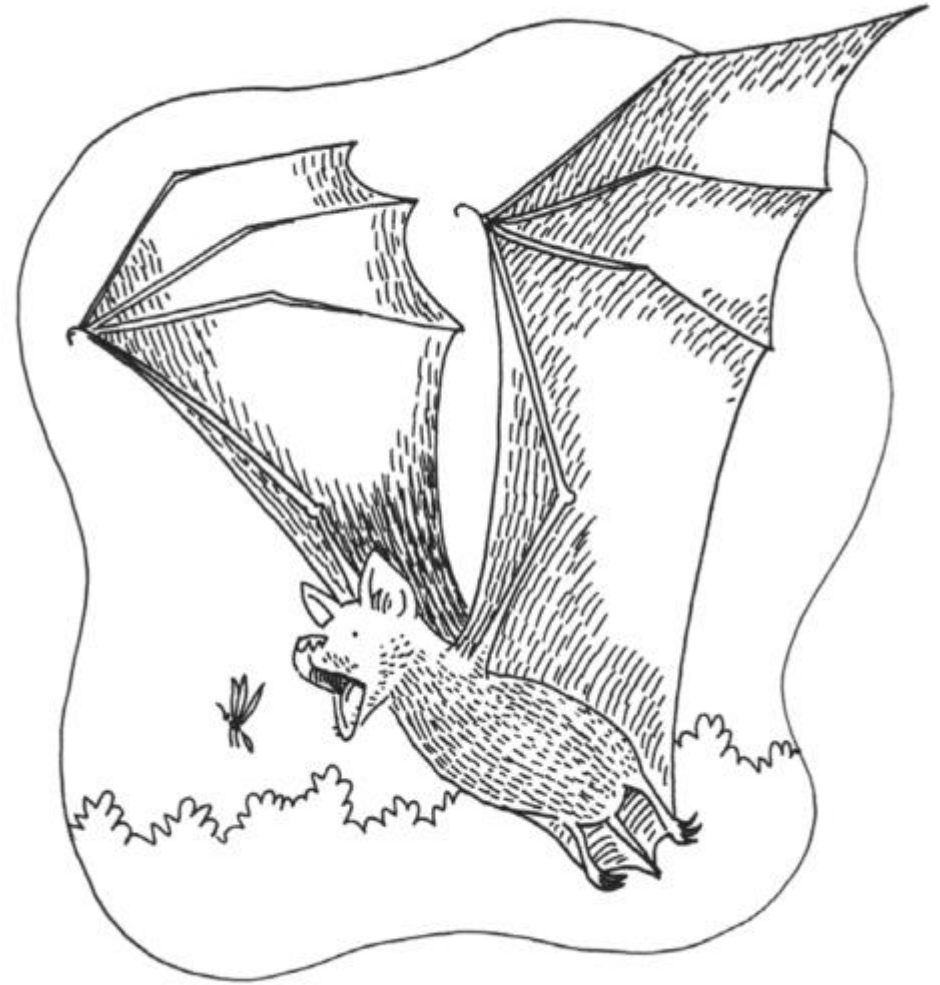


A mother bat has one pup each year.
The small pup clings tightly to its
mother when she is in flight.

The pup will soon get big. It may
live as long as 20 years unless
something catches it. A snake and a cat
can catch a bat.



People are a danger to bats, too. Some people are frightened by them and might try to hit them.



But lots of other people delight in bats. Why? They see that bats can catch and eat one bug every six seconds.



Some people put up bat houses so bats will make a home there. The bats sleep safely in these houses all day.

Then at night, the bats come out and swoop right down on the bugs that might eat healthy plants. They get rid of the pests people do not want.



Consonant Sounds

all consonants
 sh (ship)
 ch (chin)
 th (this, thin)
 wh (whisk)
 ck (clock)
 tch (catch)
 ff (cliff)
 ll (will)
 ss (miss)
 qu (quilt)
 Vse

Welded Sounds

ang (sang)
 ing (ring)
 ong (strong)
 ung (stung)
 ank (bank)
 ink (wink)
 onk (honk)
 unk (trunk)

Syllable Patterns

open single syllables (so, he, fly)
 closed syllable exceptions
 (child, cold, find, post, roll)
 twin-consonant syllable division
 nontwin-consonant syllable division
 consonant-le

Vowel Sounds

a (ax)
 i (hit)
 o (ox)
 u (up)
 e (bed)
 al (ball)
 wa (wasp)
 a (lake)
 i (bike)
 o (rode)
 u (tune)
 e (Pete)
 ay (spray)
 ou (mound, cousin, doughnut, you)
 ea (eat, bread, steak)
 oa (goat)
 ai (paint)
 ee (sheep)
 oo (food, cook)
Affixes
 suffix -ed (melted, smelled, winked)
 suffixes -s, -es, -ing, -er, -est, -en,
 -ish, -ly, -y, -ful, -ness, -less
 suffix -age (package)
 prefix a- (alike)

Bats might *look* frightening, but they are good to have around.



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Kenny's Visit

ea (eat, bread, steak)

The Castle

Consonant *-le*

Mick and Granddad's Doughnuts

oa (goat)

Brother? Sister?

ai (paint)

A Job at the Ranch

ee (sheep)

The Best Gift

ee (sheep)

The Campers

oo (food, cook)

Free!

oo (food, cook)



Night Flight

igh (light)

Chief and the Mouse

ie (pie, chief)

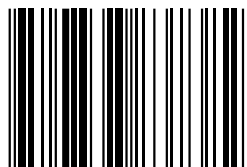


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