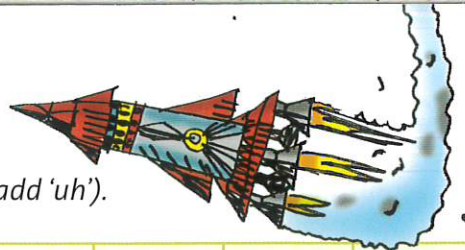


# Speed sounds



**Consonants** Say the pure sounds (do not add 'uh').

f	l	m	n	r	s	v	z	sh	th	ng
ff	ll	mm	nn	rr	ss	ve	zz			nk
			kn		s					

b	c	d	g	h	j	p	qu	t	w	x	y	ch
bb	k	dd	gg		g	pp		tt	wh			tch
	ck				ge							

**Vowels** Say the vowel sound and then the word, e.g. 'a', 'at'.

at	hen	in	on	up	day	see	high	blow
	head					happy		

zoo	look	car	for	fair	whirl	shout	boy
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Each box contains one sound but sometimes more than one grapheme. Focus graphemes are circled.

## Green words

Read in Fred Talk (pure sounds).

high	night	might	sight	flight	tree
feet	deep	seem	greedy	grip	branch
have					

Read in syllables.

a` way	→ away	tim` id	→ timid
an` i` mal	→ animal	fright` en` ing	→ frightening

Read the root word first and then with the ending.

sleep	→ sleeping	tell	→ telling	tight	→ tightly
pitch	→ pitched				

the call to of makes\*  
winter\* ears\* echo\* good\*

ed for this book only

# Bats

## Introduction

*Have you ever seen a bat? They are called nocturnal animals because they sleep in the daytime and come out at night. Can you think of any other nocturnal animals? Read this batty book to find out all about bats!*



Written by Gill Munton

## Vocabulary check

Discuss the meaning (as used in the non-fiction text) after the children have read the word.

**timid**

### definition

*very shy*

**high-pitched**

*a very high sound, e.g. a shriek*

**in flight**

*when something is flying*

**echo**

*a sound that bounces off an object and comes back*

### Punctuation to note:

Bats	This	Capital letters that start sentences
.		Full stop at the end of each sentence
,		Comma to show a pause
!		Exclamation mark

A bat might seem  
frightening.



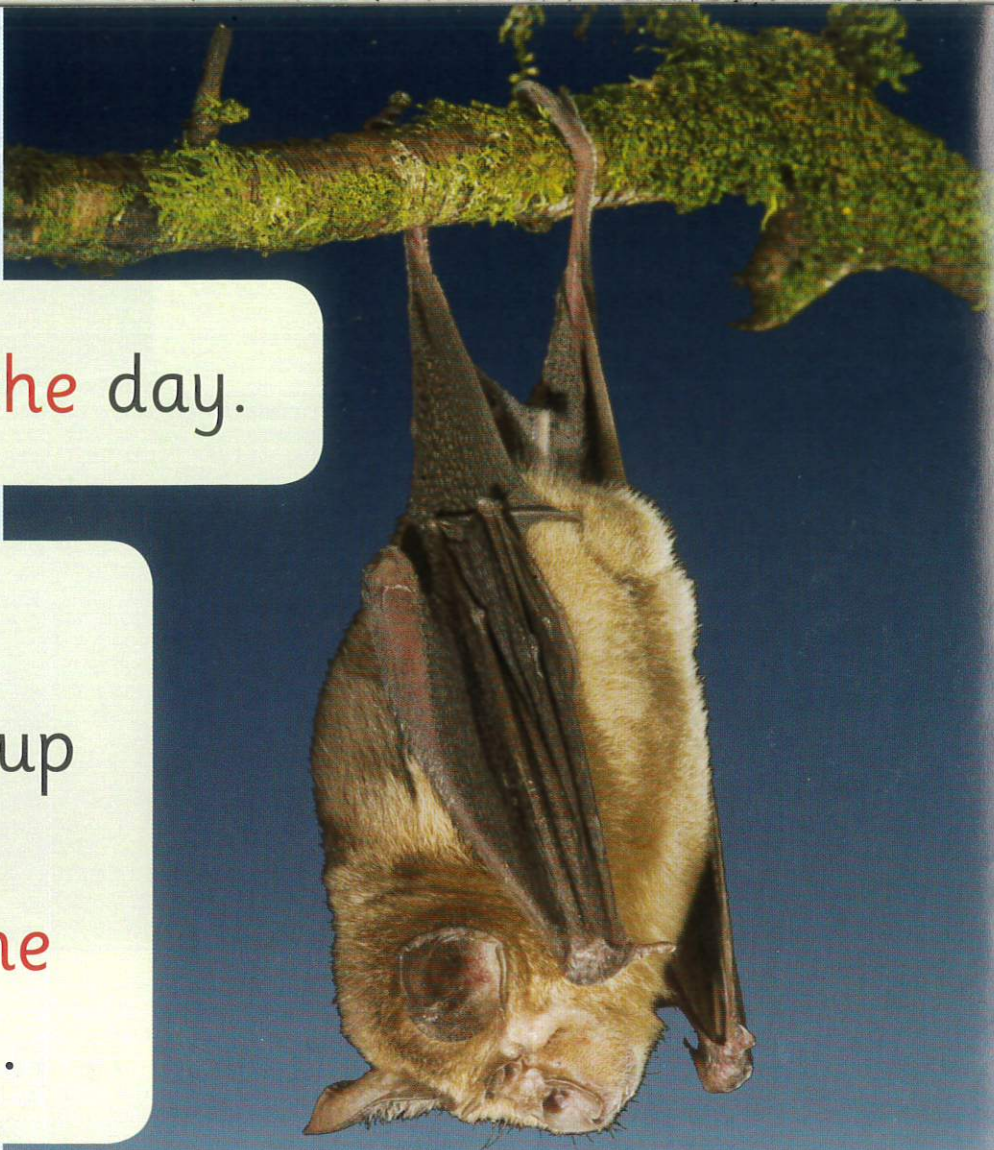
But a bat is a timid animal.

## Sleeping

Bats sleep in **the** day.

This bat is sleeping high up in a tree.

Its feet grip **the** branch tightly.



In **winter**, bats have a long, deep sleep, away from bright lights.



## Night flights

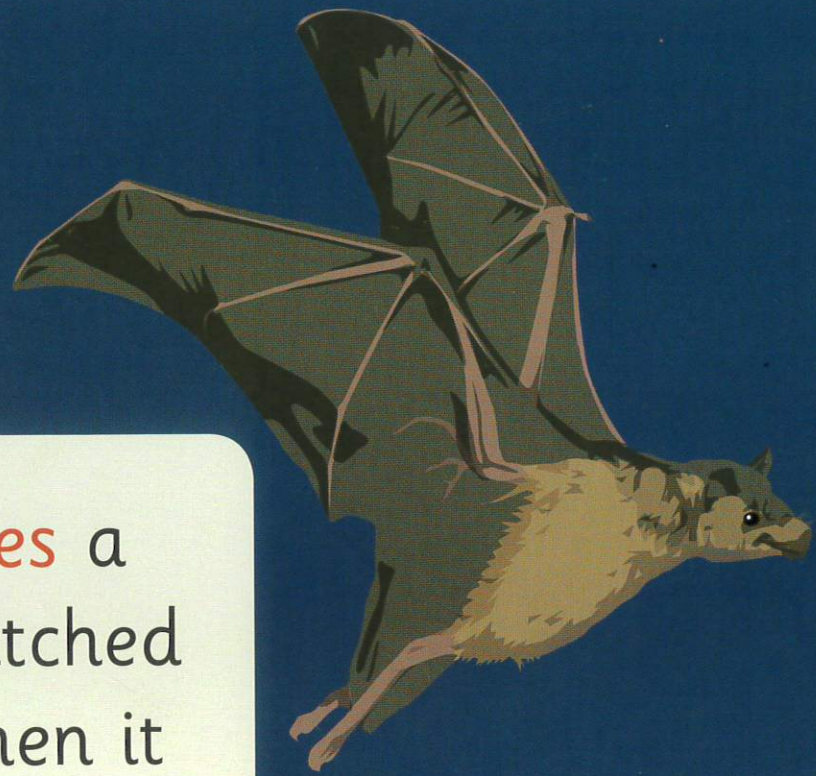


Bats feed at night.

A bat has **good** sight,  
but at night it needs its **ears**!



It **makes** a high-pitched **call** when it is in flight.



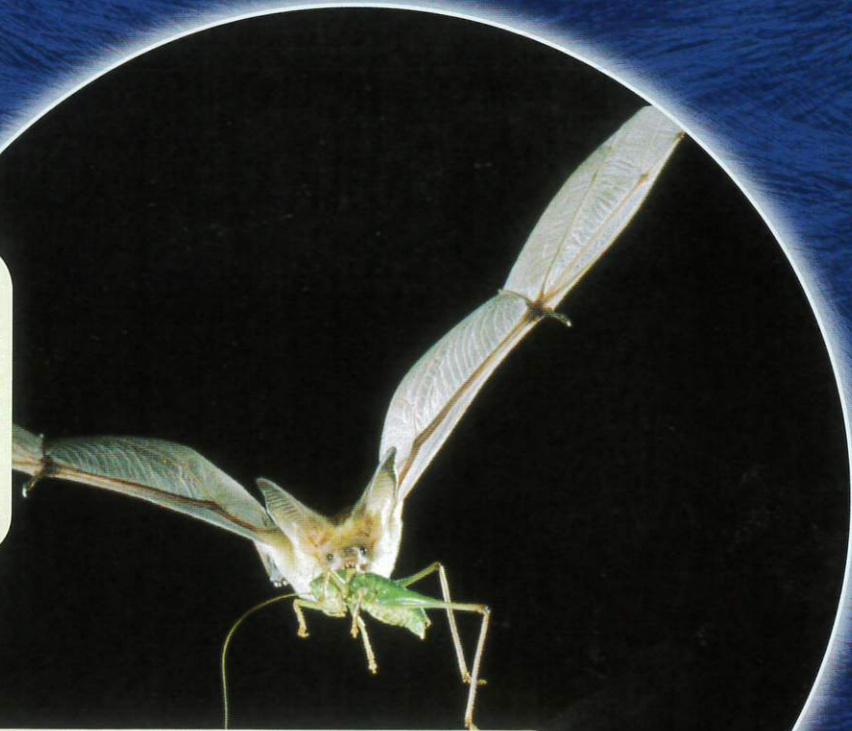
call

An **echo** is telling this bat that it is next **to** a tree.

echo

# Feeding

This bat feeds on insects.



A greedy bat might snap up hundreds **of** insects in a night!

## Questions to talk about ★★

Re-read the page. Read the question to the children. Tell them whether it is a **FIND IT** question or **PROVE IT** question.

### FIND IT

- ✓ Turn to the page
- ✓ Read the question
- ✓ Find the answer

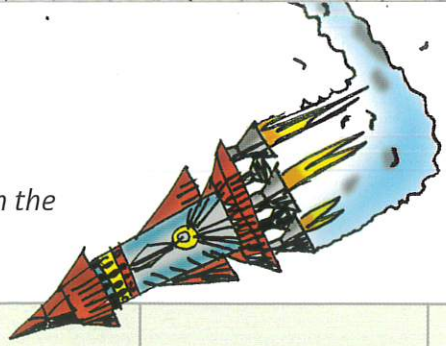
### PROVE IT

- ✓ Turn to the page
- ✓ Read the question
- ✓ Find your evidence
- ✓ Explain why

- Page 9: **PROVE IT** Do you think a bat is likely to attack you?  
Pages 10–11: **FIND IT** When do bats sleep?  
Page 12: **FIND IT** When do bats eat?  
Page 13: **FIND IT** What does a bat need at night?  
Page 14: **FIND IT** What type of call does a bat make?  
Page 16: **FIND IT** What do bats like to eat?

## Speed words

Children practise reading the words across the rows, down the columns and in and out of order clearly and quickly.



high	need	grip	have	timid
branch	away	night	feet	animal
deep	flight	tree	insect	that
up	greedy	might	next	from
bat	tight	the	snap	sight