

Fun Bat Facts at Your Fingertips!

Folding Instructions:

Make all folds neatly and squarely



1. Carefully cut along the dotted lines to make a square.
2. With the pictures and text facing upward, fold the paper neatly in half and then in half again.
3. Undo the folds and flatten out the paper. Flip the page over so that the blank side faces up. Fold in each corner so the four points meet in the center.
4. Flip the paper over. Again, fold in each corner so the four points meet in the center.
5. Fold the square in half, making a rectangle, with the open flaps facing down. The writing should be right-side up.
6. Slide both index fingers and thumbs under each of the four outer flaps.
7. Pinching your fingers together, push the top corners of the flaps toward the center. Poke down into the center to help form the shape.



To play the game:

1. Ask a friend one of the questions on any of the outer flaps.
2. Let them provide an answer or they can choose one of the possible answers on the inside flaps. By opening the game either one of two ways, four possible answers are revealed.
3. Once the correct answer is given, look under the selected flap to learn even more.
4. Ask each of the other questions and learn even more!
5. Place this fun game in your pocket and you will always have bat facts at your fingertips!



What important roles do bats play in the environment?



Pollinators



Bats eat tons of insects such as mosquitoes, beetles, moths, crickets, and much more! They help protect our farms, our forest, and our economy. Every year, bats save us **more than 23 billion dollars** in pest control by eating insects that could damage crops and forests. Bats are also important pollinators of many plants and trees including mangos, agave, and wild bananas.



A bat is a



Even though bats fly and people walk on the ground, bats and people are similar in many ways. That's because both people and bats are mammals. With few exceptions, all mammals give birth to live young, nurse babies with milk, and have hair. Other mammals include dogs, cats, chipmunks, raccoons, elephants, monkeys, and whales. One of the great things about bats is that they are the only mammal that can truly fly!

a mammal!



Bats make up what % of all mammals?

Habitat Loss



Bats are in decline nearly everywhere they are found. A new disease, White-Nose Syndrome has killed Over 6 million bats in 6 years in the U.S. and Canada!

Other dangers facing our bats are habitat loss, increased pesticide use, wind energy development, and even people harming bats because they don't understand their value. Bats need our help! How could you help bats?

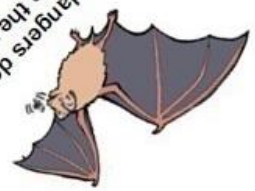


Insect Control

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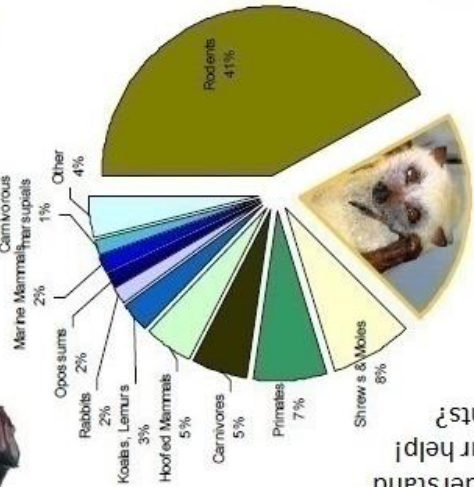
What dangers do bats face in the wild?



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There are over 1300 species of bats.



Bats make up one



Are bats birds or mammals?

