My Bat Fact File

Read the bat fact page, then fill in your fact file.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Draw a bat

Bat facts

Size: _____

Weight: _____

Lifespan: _____

Diet: _____

Habitat: _____

Where: _____

Status: _____

Match the word to its meaning

1. echolocation ____	A. active at night and resting during the day
2. roost ____	B. to carry pollen from one flower to another so plants can make seeds and fruit
3. nocturnal ____	C. to sleep deeply through the winter to save energy
4. hibernate ____	D. a place where bats rest during the day
5. pollinate ____	E. finding things by making sounds and listening for the echoes

The most amazing thing I learned about bats

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Answer Key

Bat Fact File

Bat facts

Scientific name:	Order Chiroptera (1,400+ species)
Size:	About 1 in long to 6 ft wingspan
Weight:	From about 2 grams (bumblebee bat)
Lifespan:	Most under 20 yrs; record 41 yrs
Diet:	Mostly insects; also fruit, nectar
Habitat:	Caves, trees, cliffs and buildings
Where:	Every continent except Antarctica
Status:	Varies by species

Accept any answer that matches the fact page; sizes and lifespans are approximate.

Word match

1–E, 2–D, 3–A, 4–C, 5–B

Wow facts to share

- Bats are the only mammals that can truly fly.
- Up to 20 million bats live in Bracken Cave in Texas each summer.
- Some bats can eat their own body weight in insects in one night.