

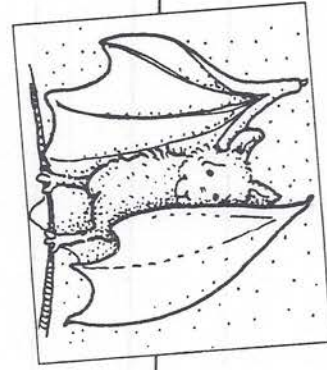
I'm Not Scary!

Imagine that you are a bat. Write a letter to people that explains why you are not scary. Include as many reasons as you can.

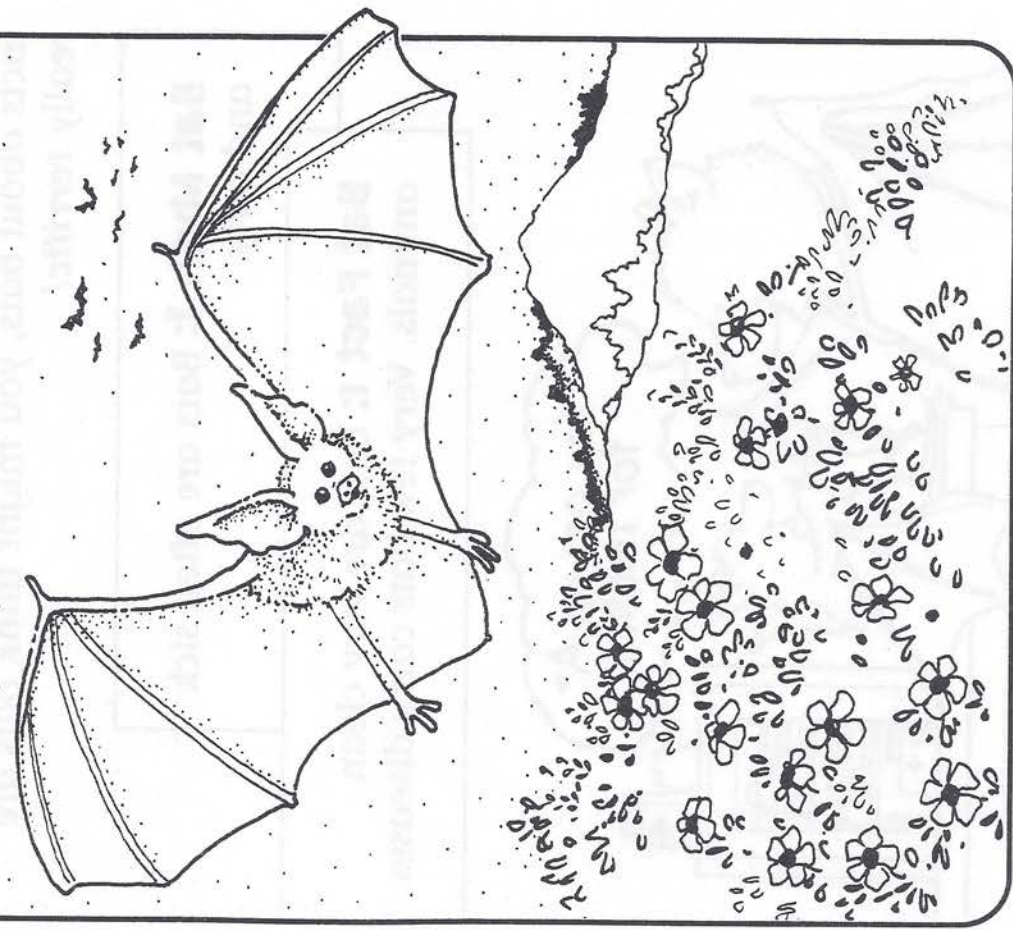
TO: People

Handwriting lines for writing the letter.

FROM: Bashful Bat



My Book About Bats



by _____

Get the Bat Facts!

Many people are afraid of bats. That's because they believe the myths about bats. A myth is something that is not true. Once you learn the facts about bats, you might think bats are really *terrific!*

Bat Myth 1: Bats are often sick and dirty.

Bat Fact 1: Bats are very clean animals. Very few bats carry diseases.



Bats are shy, gentle animals. So why do you think people are afraid of bats? Think about the myths you just read. Think about what bats look like and how they are shown in movies, books, and cartoons.

Write three reasons why people are afraid of bats.

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Bat Myth 2: Bats are blind.

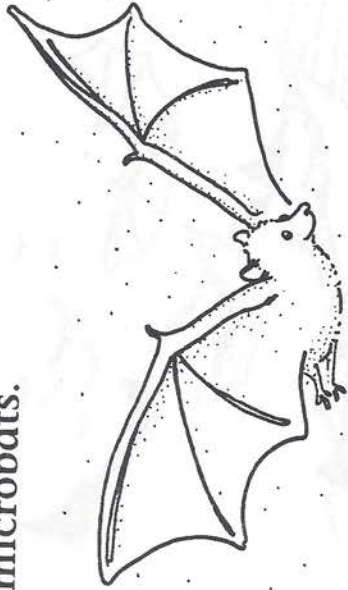
Bat Fact 2: All bats can see. In fact, some have large eyes to see in the dark. These bats can see very well. Other bats have small eyes and do not see well. They use their ears to find out what is near.



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Two Groups of Bats

There are two groups of bats—megabats and microbats. Read the information in the chart below. Beneath the chart, write one fact and one opinion about megabats or microbats.



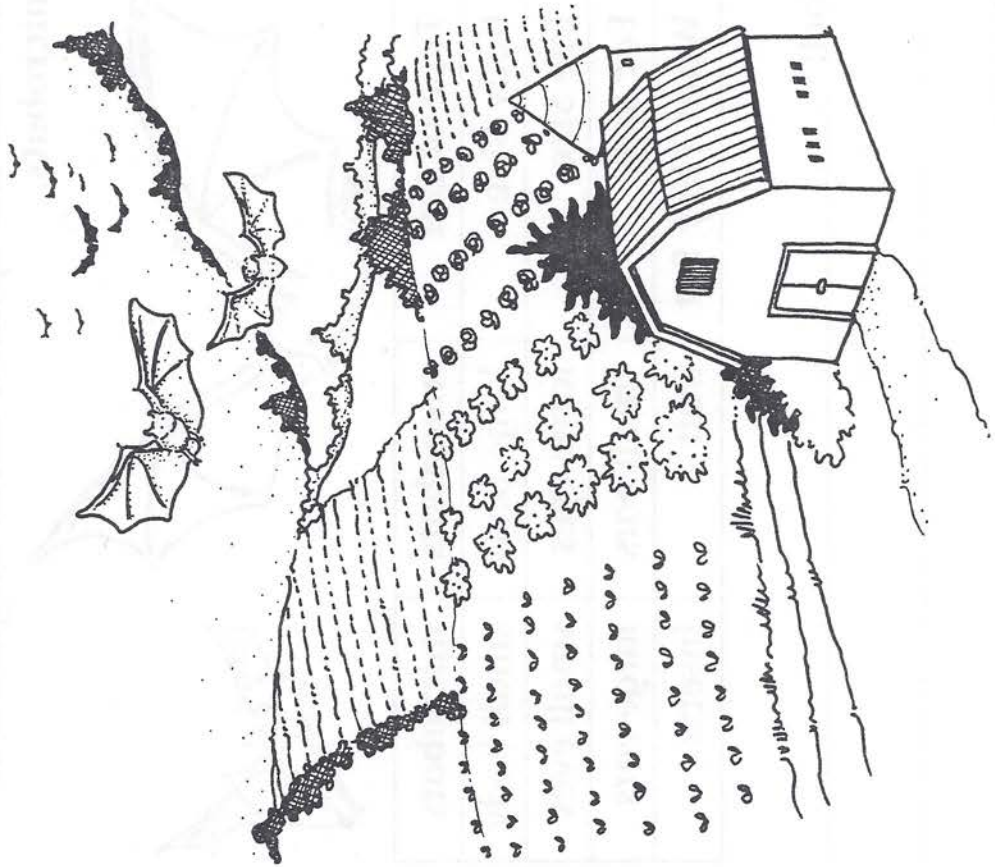
Type of Bat	megabats	microbats
Body Size	large body	small body
Eye Size	large eyes	small eyes
Ear Size	small ears	large ears
What They Eat	fruit	insects

Fact: _____

Opinion: _____

Bat Myth 3: Bats hurt people.

Bat Fact 3: Bats help people. They eat insects that harm farmers' crops.



Draw a Bat Cartoon

Can you think of another funny way to show that bats are clean animals? Draw your picture in the box. You might add a speech balloon. Then write about your picture on the lines below.