

Bats

Non-fiction
Set 3 Book 3

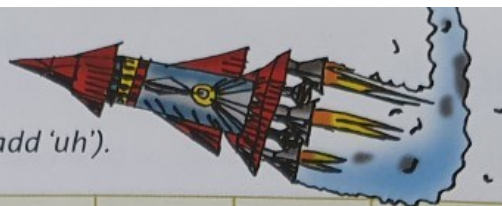
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Speed sounds



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

f ff	l ll	m mm	n nn kn	r rr	s ss	v ve	z zz s	sh	th	ng nk
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b bb	c k ck	d dd	g gg	h	j g ge	p pp	qu	t tt	w wh	x	y	ch tch
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Vowels Say the vowel sound and then the word, e.g. 'a', 'at'.

at	hen head	in	on	up	day	see happy	high	blow
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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).

h <u>igh</u>	n <u>igh</u> t	m <u>igh</u> t	s <u>igh</u> t	f <u>igh</u> t	tr <u>ee</u>
f <u>ee</u> t	d <u>ee</u> p	s <u>ee</u> m	gr <u>ee</u> dy	gr <u>i</u> p	br <u>anch</u>
h <u>ave</u>					

Read in syllables.

a` w <u>ay</u>	→ away	tim` id	→ timid
an` i` mal	→ animal	f <u>ri</u> ght` en` <u>ing</u>	→ f <u>ri</u> ght <u>en</u> ing

Read the root word first and then with the ending.

sl <u>ee</u> p	→ sl <u>ee</u> ping	te <u>ll</u>	→ te <u>ll</u> ing	ti <u>gh</u> t	→ ti <u>gh</u> tly
pi <u>ch</u>	→ pi <u>ch</u> ed				

Red words

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

**red 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!*

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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.



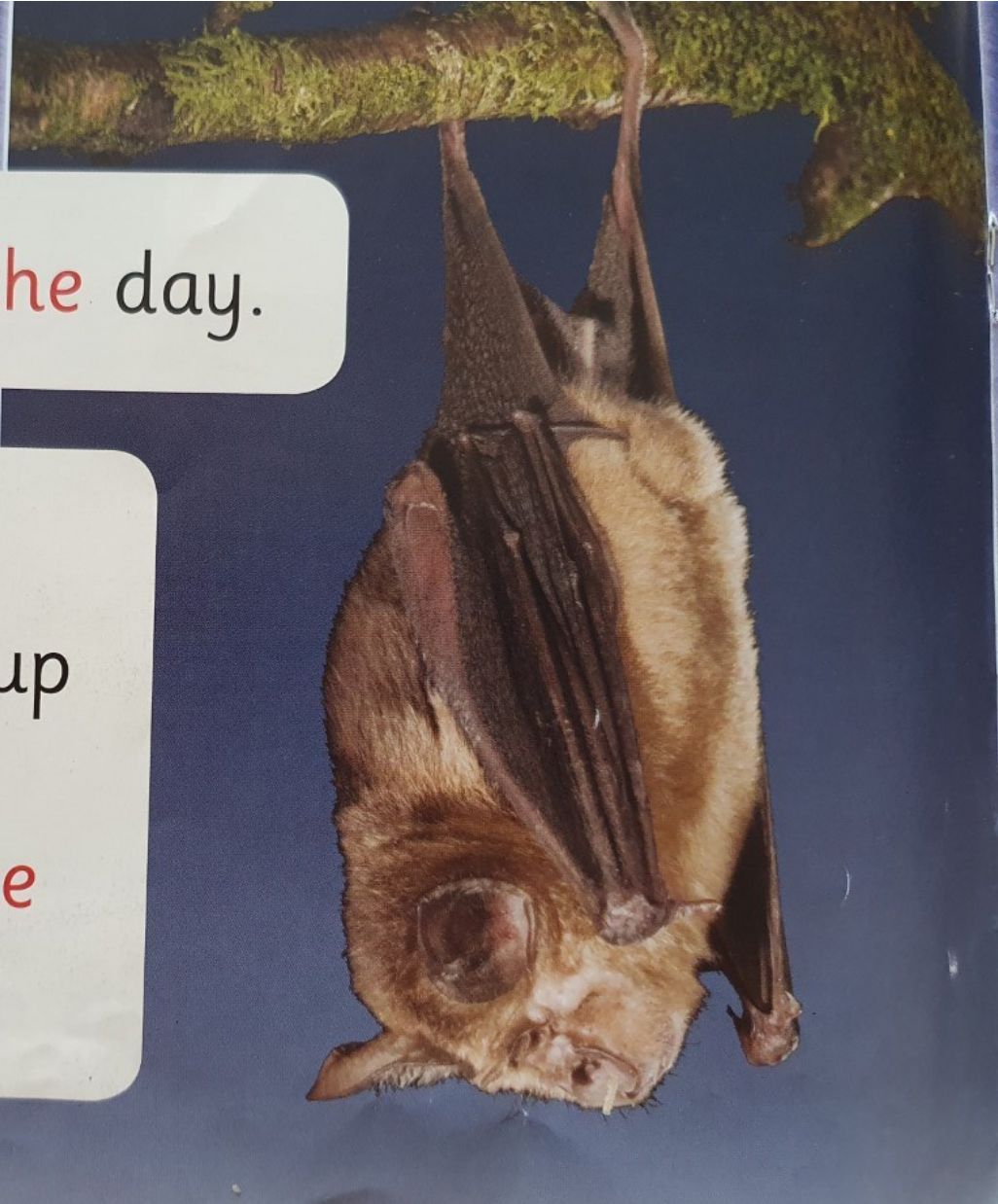
But a bat is a timid animal.

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



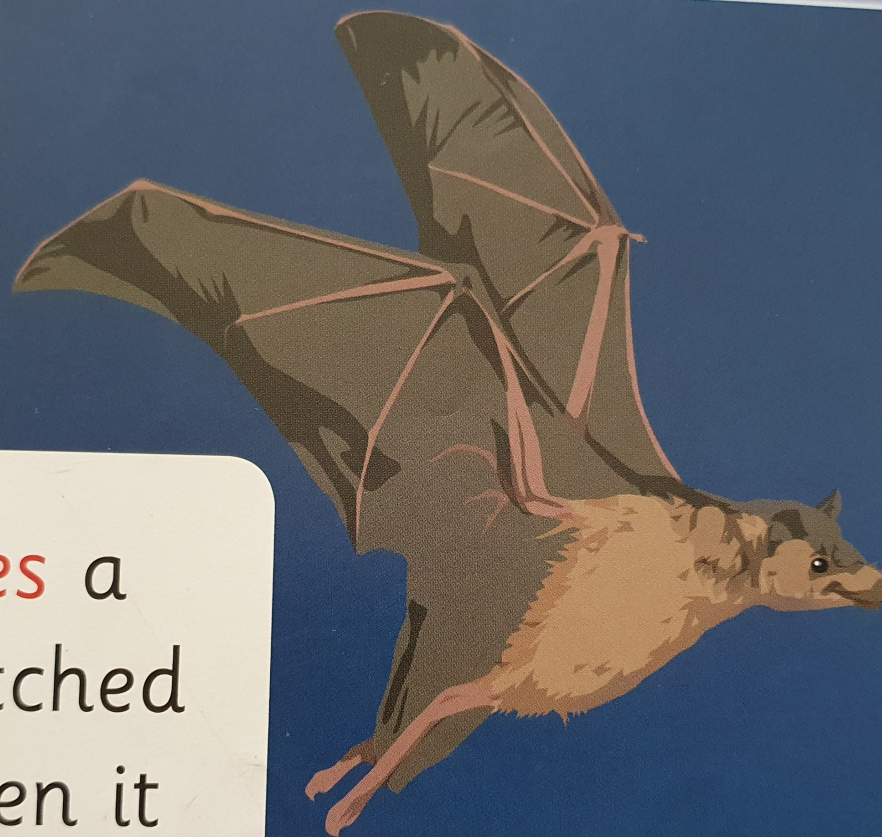
Bats feed at night.



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

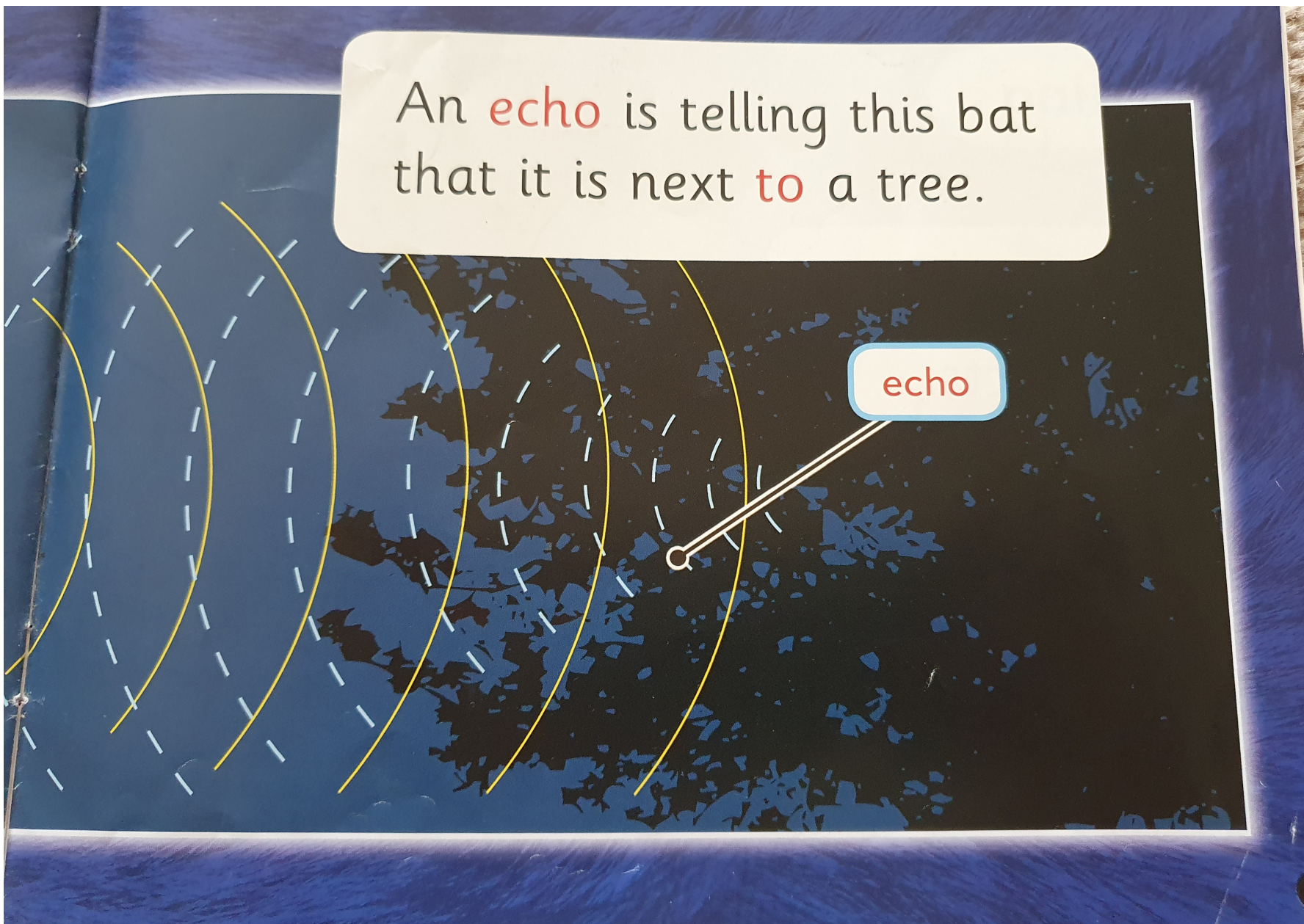


It **makes** a
high-pitched
call when it
is in flight.



call

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



The diagram shows a bat on the left emitting sound waves, represented by concentric yellow arcs. The first set of arcs is solid, and the second set is dashed. These waves reflect off a dark, leafy tree on the right. A small white circle marks the point of reflection on the tree. A line connects this point to a label box containing the word 'echo'. The background is a dark blue night sky with a lighter blue horizon line at the bottom.

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

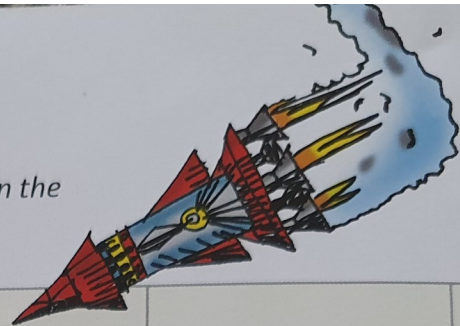
PROVE IT

- ✓ 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