

# Bats & Spiders

Literacy Centers  
For 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades



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facts

opinions

Bats can fly.

Spiders and bats  
are creepy.

Bats are mammals.

Bats are the most  
interesting animal we've  
learned about.

Bats are the only  
mammals that can fly.

I think we should have  
more books about bats in  
our library.

Most bats eat insects or fruit.

Bats are cute.

Most bats are nocturnal.

Bats are my favorite mammal.

Bats are mammals.

Bats are the scariest mammal.

Bats are the only mammals that can fly.

Seeing bats in a cave is the coolest sight.

Spiders have eight legs.

Spiders are ugly.

Spiders live on every continent but Antarctica.

Spiders can scare anyone.

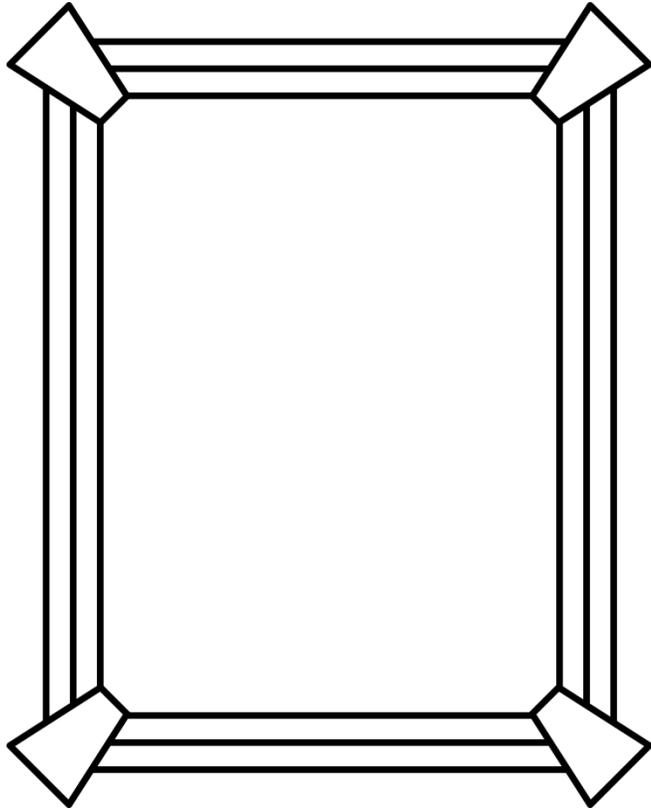
Only a few spiders species of spiders are dangerous to humans.

Spiders are disgusting eight-legged creatures.

Arachnophobia is a fear of spiders.

Spiders are more interesting than bats.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



My animal is:

\_\_\_\_\_

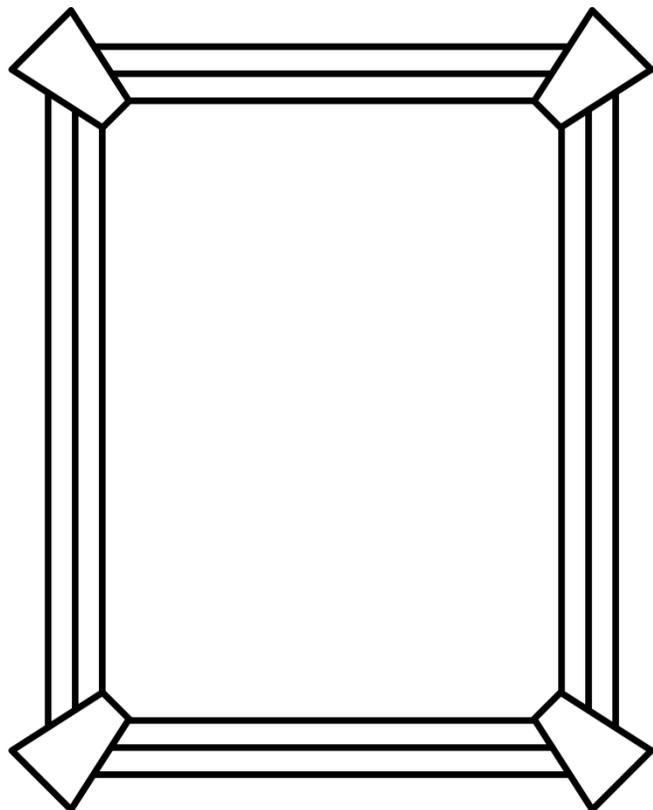
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1 Opinion About My Animal Is:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_



My animal is:

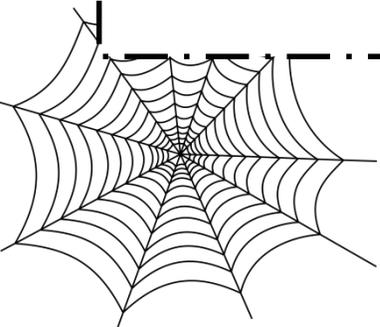
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1 Fact About My Animal Is:

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1 Opinion About My Animal Is:

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dusk

the time just  
before night

echolocation

locating objects  
by sound

frugivore

a fruit eater

insectivore

an animal that eats  
insects

nocturnal

an animal that sleeps during the day and is active at night

mammal

warm-blooded animals that are vertebrates, have hair on their bodies, and make milk to feed their babies

hematophagous

an animal that feeds on blood

habitat

the natural home of an animal or plant

arachnophobia

a fear of spiders

arachnid

an animal that has eight legs and a body with two parts

venom

poison that is produced by an animal and used to kill or injure another animal

web

a new made from silk threads woven together by a spider

## Vocabulary Task #1

Put your words  
in ABC order.

## Vocabulary Task #2

Sort your  
words by the  
number of  
syllables.

## Vocabulary Task #3

Use each word  
in a complete  
sentence.

## Vocabulary Task #4

Practice reading  
each word aloud.

# Bat Adaptations

only mammals  
who can fly

# Spider Adaptations

sleep upside  
down

The background of the entire image is a repeating pattern of stars. There are two types of stars: solid yellow stars and purple stars with a white, sparkly or glittery texture. The stars are arranged in a regular, offset grid pattern against a solid orange background.

use  
echolocation to  
hunt for food

very light  
skeleton

nocturnal  
animals

good night vision

The background of the entire page is a repeating pattern of stars. There are orange stars with black outlines and purple stars with a white-to-blue gradient and a sparkling effect. The stars are arranged in a staggered grid.

strong sense of  
smell

strong hearing

sticky webs

venom

quick movement  
due to having 8  
legs

camouflage coloring  
to help them blend  
into their  
surroundings or  
bright colors to  
scare off predators

adhesive hairs  
beneath their  
claws to help  
them climb

their 8 legs  
each have two  
or three small  
claws

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

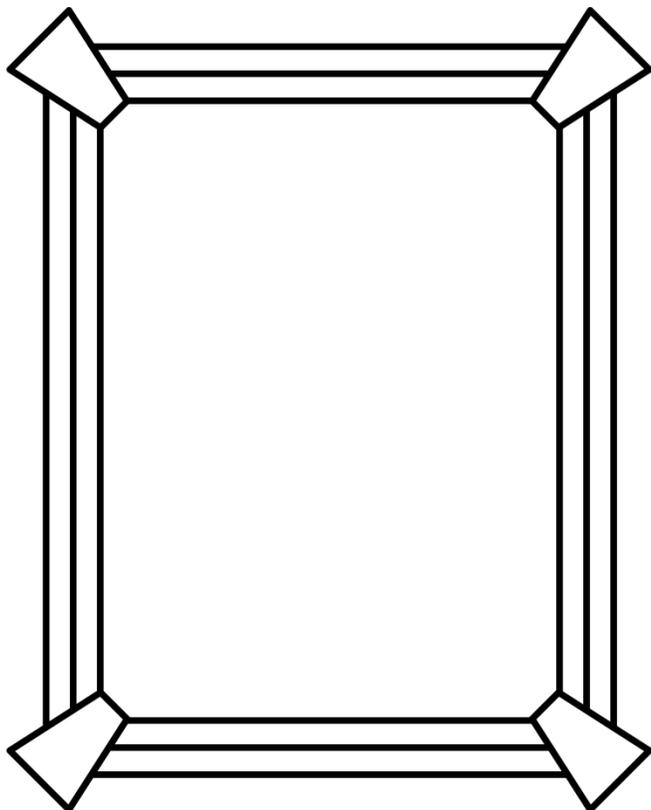


1 Adaptation My Animal Has:

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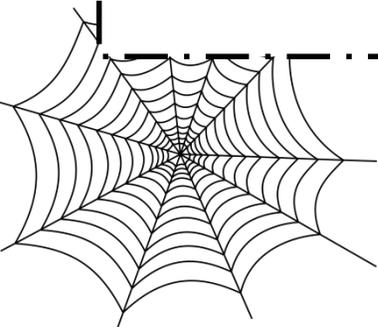
This Adaptation Helps My Animal By:

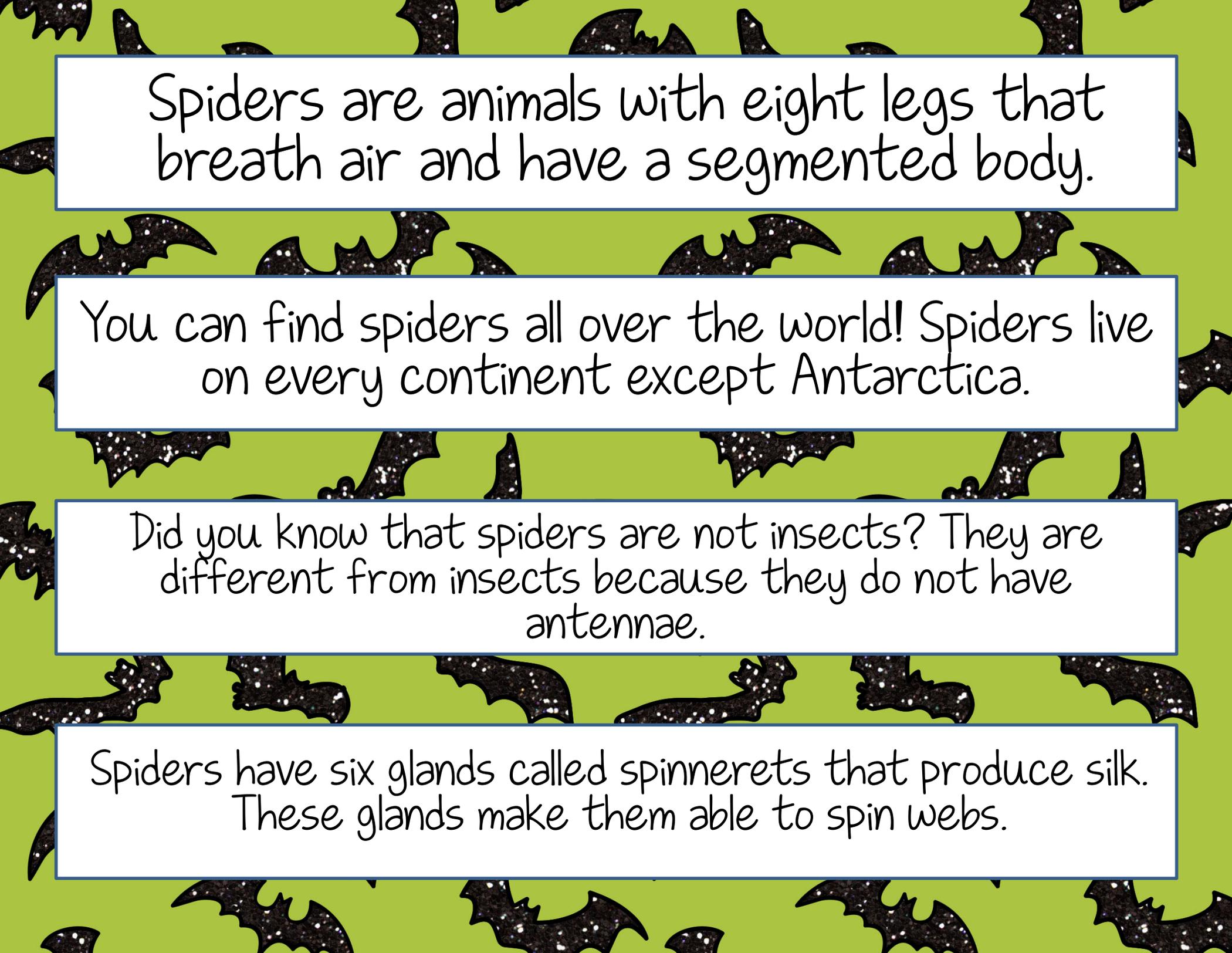
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My animal is:

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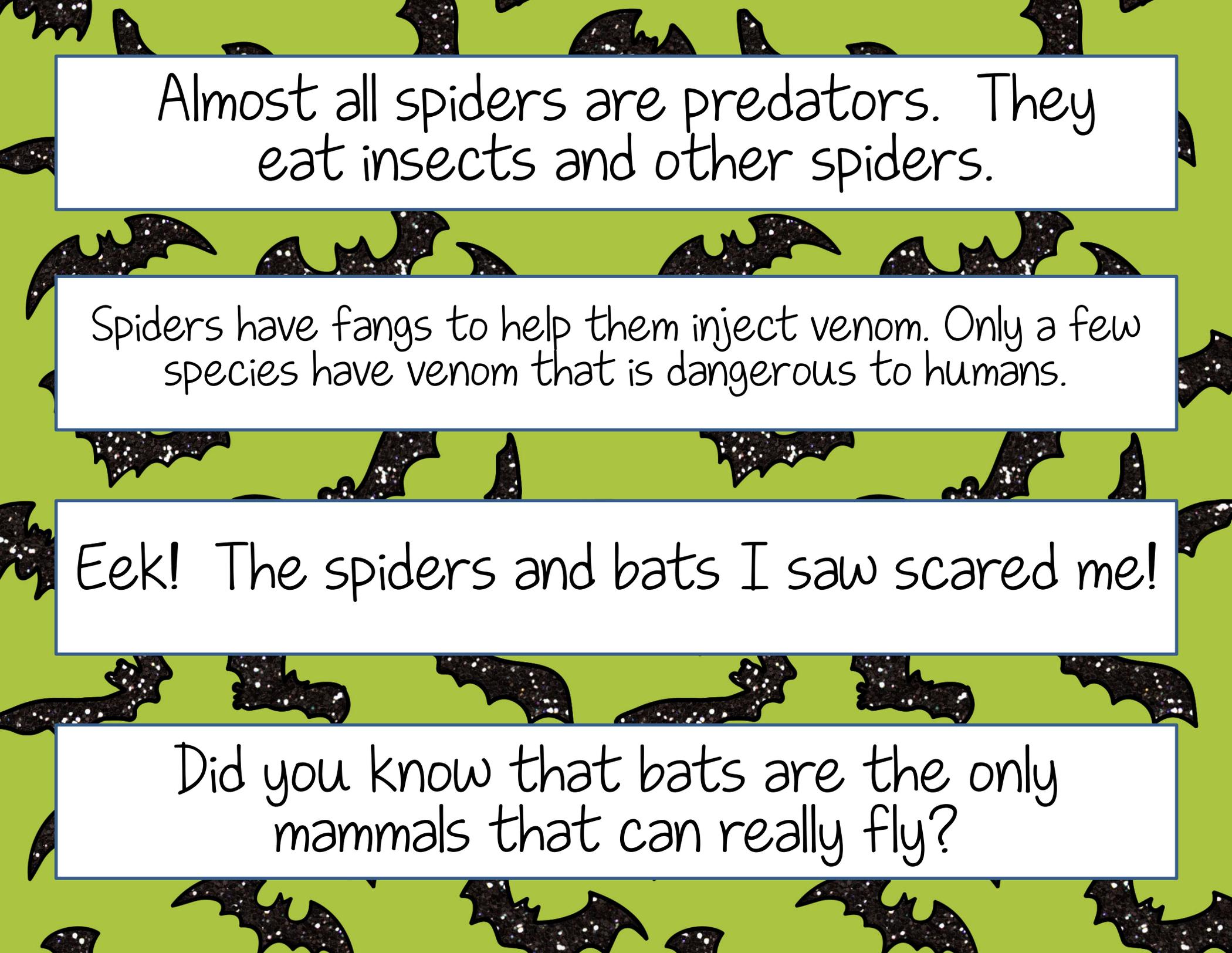


Spiders are animals with eight legs that breath air and have a segmented body.

You can find spiders all over the world! Spiders live on every continent except Antarctica.

Did you know that spiders are not insects? They are different from insects because they do not have antennae.

Spiders have six glands called spinnerets that produce silk. These glands make them able to spin webs.

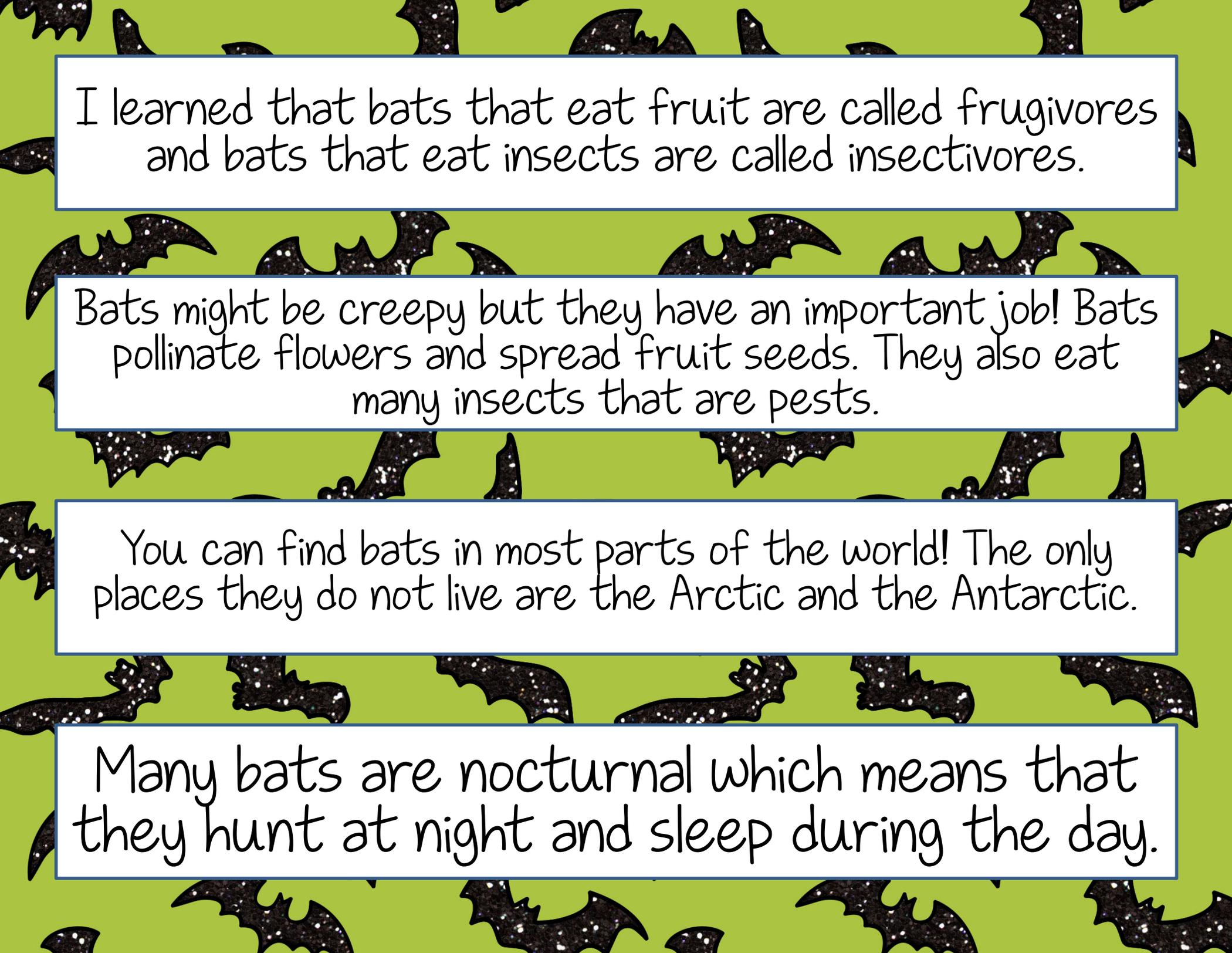


Almost all spiders are predators. They eat insects and other spiders.

Spiders have fangs to help them inject venom. Only a few species have venom that is dangerous to humans.

Eek! The spiders and bats I saw scared me!

Did you know that bats are the only mammals that can really fly?



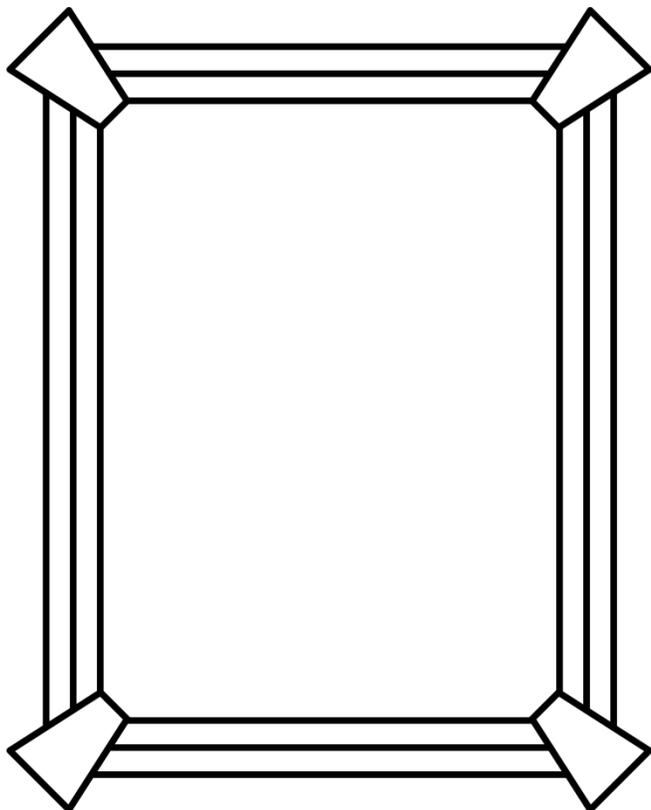
I learned that bats that eat fruit are called frugivores and bats that eat insects are called insectivores.

Bats might be creepy but they have an important job! Bats pollinate flowers and spread fruit seeds. They also eat many insects that are pests.

You can find bats in most parts of the world! The only places they do not live are the Arctic and the Antarctic.

Many bats are nocturnal which means that they hunt at night and sleep during the day.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



The book I read is:

\_\_\_\_\_

The author is:

\_\_\_\_\_

3 facts I learned are:

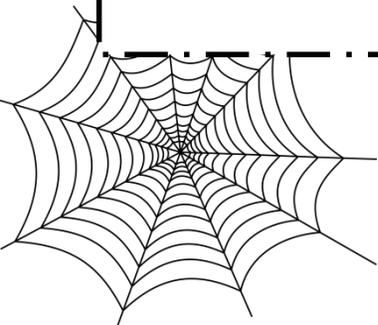
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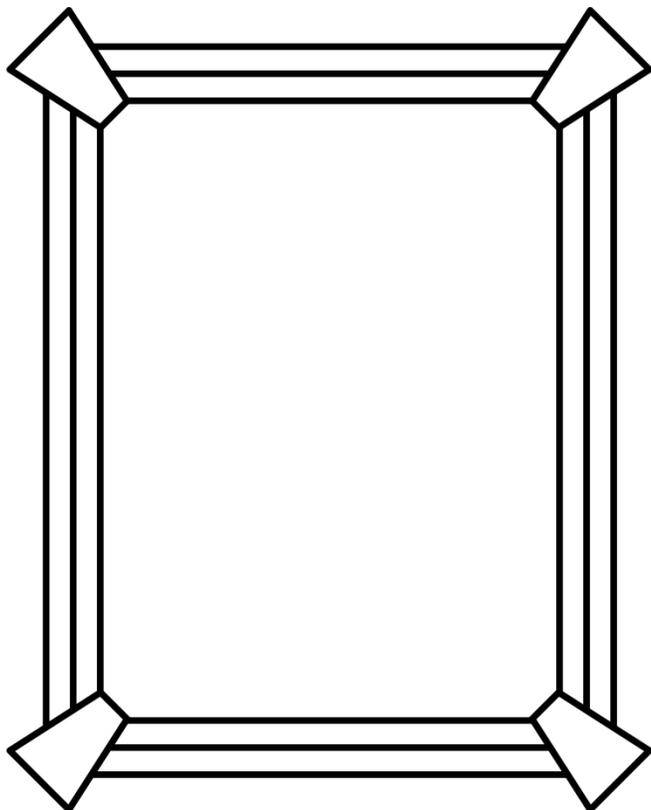
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My animal is:

\_\_\_\_\_



Name: \_\_\_\_\_



The book I read is:

\_\_\_\_\_

The author is:

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2 facts I learned are:

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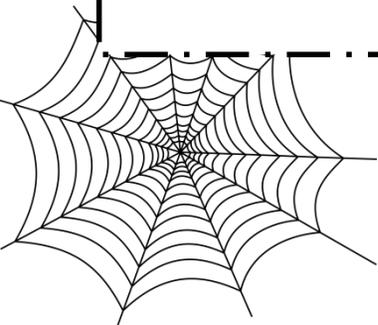
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My animal is:

\_\_\_\_\_

I think I wonder is:

\_\_\_\_\_



Name: \_\_\_\_\_



My animal is:

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The book I read is:

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The author is:

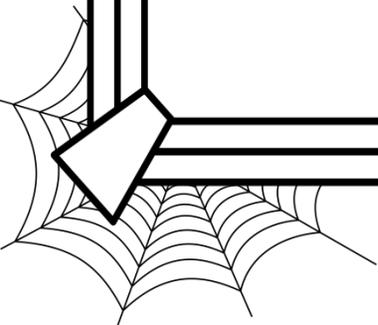
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3 supporting details are:

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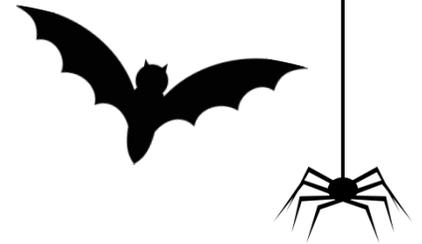
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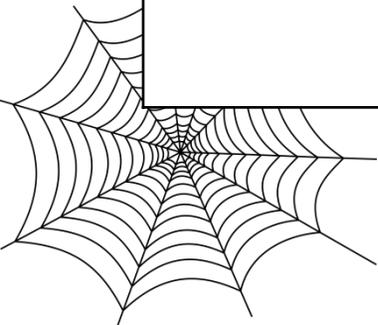


# Spiders

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

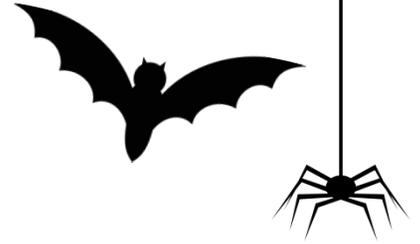


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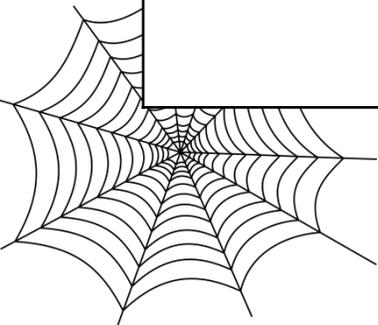


# Bats

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



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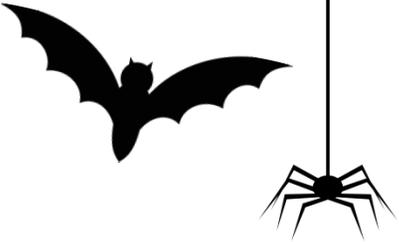
**My  
animal  
is:**

**Habitat**

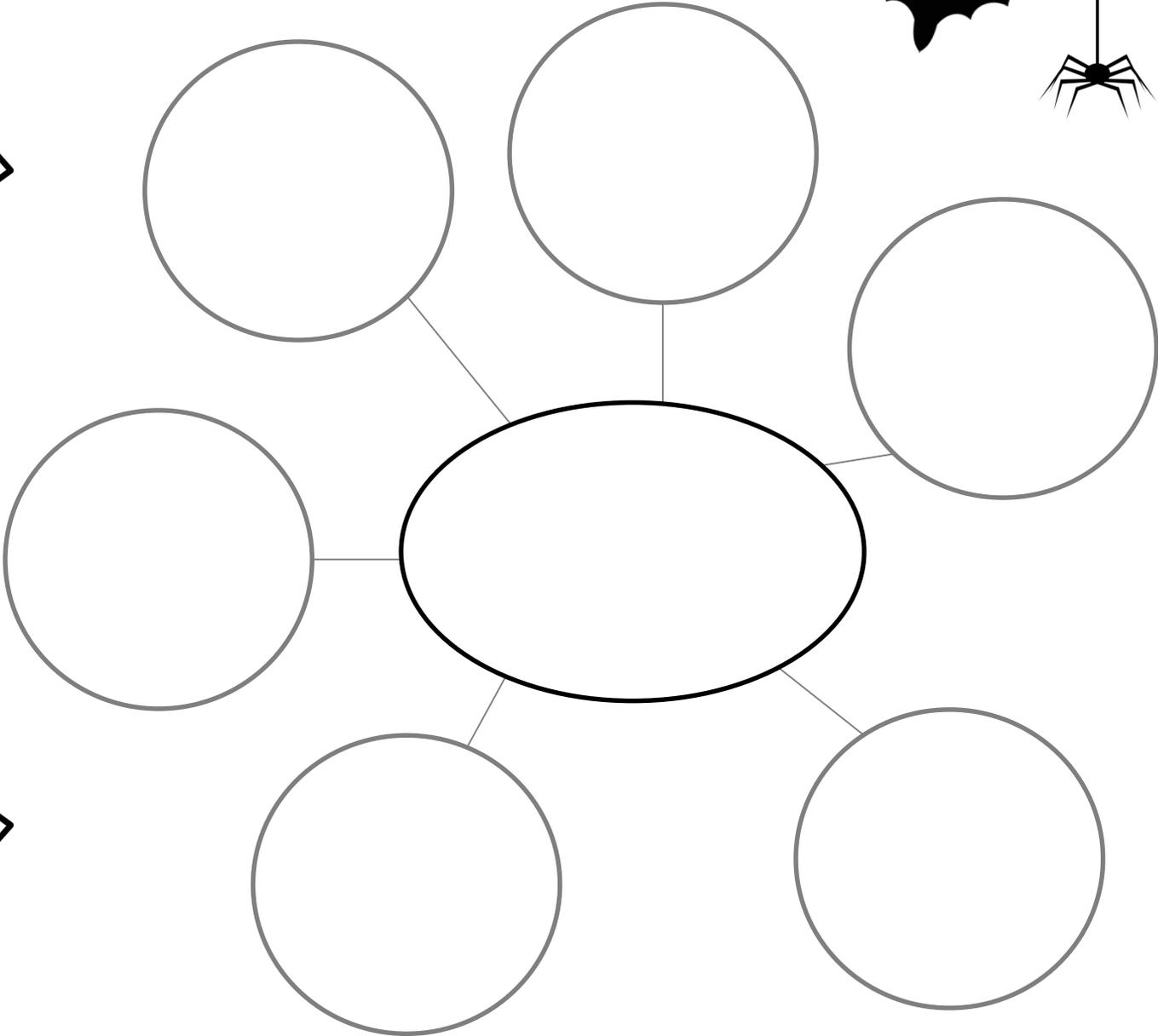
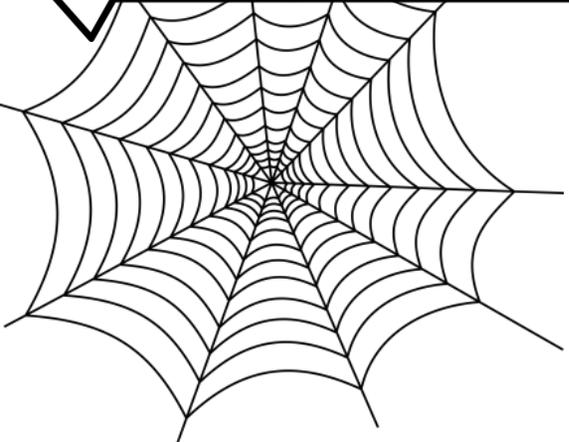
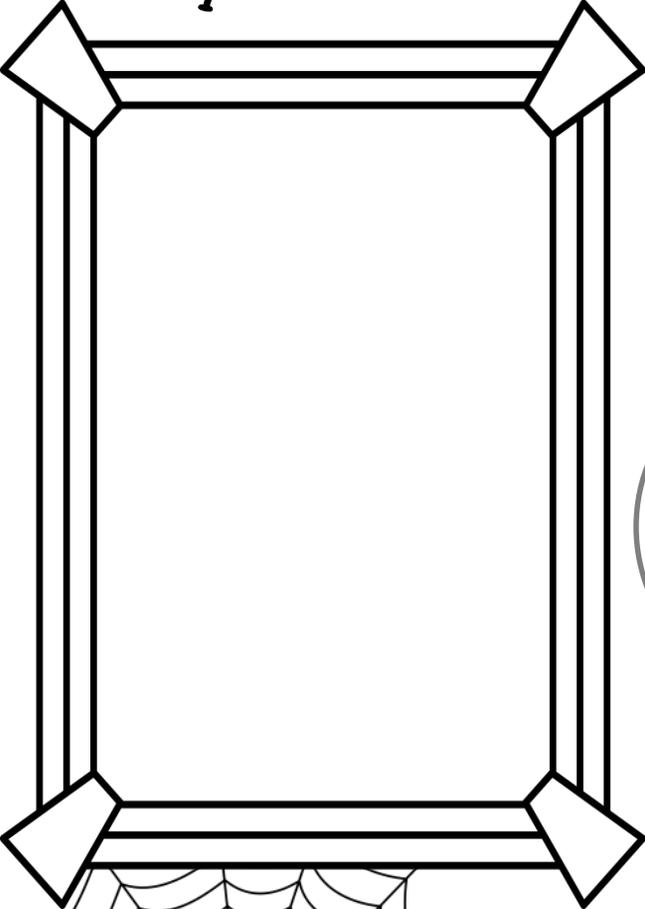
**Diet**

**1  
interesting  
fact**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



My animal is:



Directions: Write the name of your animal in the center. In the web surrounding, write facts you have learned.