



# Perry Public Library Storytime



## Night Wings

### **Stories we shared:**

Wow! Said the Owl: by Tim Hopgood

Owl Babies: by Martin Waddell

### **Other books you may enjoy sharing:**

"I'm Not Santa!" / Allen, Jonathan

I'm Not Scared! / Allen, Jonathan

Bat Jamboree /Appelt, Kathi

Shadows of Night /Bash, Barbara

Bats /Bland, Celia

Stellaluna /Cannon, Janell

The Magic School Bus Going Batty /Cole, Joanna

Owls /Gibbons, Gail

Good-night, Owl! /Hutchins, Pat

Owls /Kelsey, Elin

The Owl and the Pussycat /Lear, Edward

Bats at the Library /Lies, Brian

Hello, Bumblebee Bat /Lunde, Darrin P.

Northern Spotted Owls /Martin, Patricia

Owls and Other Birds of Prey /Reid, Mary E.

Owly & Wormy /Runton, Andy

Bear's New Friend /Wilson, Karma

Owl Moon /Yolen, Jane

"I'm Not Sleepy!" / Allen, Jonathan

Bats around the Clock / Appelt, Kathi

Bat /Arnold, Caroline

In Ohio's Backyard - Bats /Belwood, Jacqueline Janine

But Who Will Bell the Cats? /Buhler, Cynthia von

There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Bat / Colandro, Lucille

Zippping, Zapping, Zooming Bats /Earle, Ann

Bats /Gray, Susan Heinrichs

The Barn Owls /Johnston, Tony

Screech Owl at Midnight Hollow /Lamm, C. Drew

Bats at the Ballgame /Lies, Brian

Bats at the Beach /Lies, Brian

Cock-a-doodle-hoooooo! /Manning, Mick

I Am A Little Bat /Prims, Marta

Bats /Riley, Joelle

The Busy Tree /Ward, Jennifer

Bats /Wood, Lily

### **Early Literacy Extras:**



- Talk about the words "Owl" and "Bat" sound out the words and clap once for each syllable of the word.

- Help your child think of words that rhyme with "bat" like "sat, cat, mat, rat, pat, hat"

– make up silly rhymes with these words. Try rhyming "night" too!

- Help your child think of words that have the "Ow" sound in them (how, now, plow, cow, shower, towel, wow, growl) or think of other animal names that start with "B" (bison, bumblebee, beaver, badger)
- Help your child think of other animals that come out at night (raccoons, mice, skunks) and other animals that fly (bees, butterflies, birds,).
- Read a book on night creatures, mammals, or birds, and practice saying the unfamiliar names and words you find.
- Practice with your child using your own "echolocation" like a bat. Close your eyes and listen to all of the sounds around you and try to identify them.
- The sense of rhythm obtained from listening to songs and rhymes will help your child to identify patterns, like rhyming words, which will help them learn to read. Because songs automatically break down words into smaller sounds through tones, singing with your child is one of the best ways develop early literacy skills. Try the songs and rhymes on the following pages.

## ***Songs and rhymes to share:***

### **WHOOOO?**

Whooooo? said the owl  
In the dark old tree

Wheeeee said the wind with a howl  
Wheeeee!

Whooooo?  
Wheeeee!

Whooooo?  
Wheeeee!

They didn't scare each other  
But they did scare  
Who?  
Me!

- Lillian Moore-

### **Five Black Bats**

*(hold fist upside down –  
unfold one finger for each bat)*

Five black bats are hanging upside down  
The first one did not make a sound  
The second one said "I'll fly far tonight"  
The third one said "I don't like sunlight"  
The fourth one said "I want to eat some bugs"  
The fifth one said "I want some hugs"  
Five black bats are hanging upside down  
SHHH!  
It's daytime,  
Don't make a sound!

### **A Wise Old Owl**

A wise old owl lived in an oak  
The more he saw the less he spoke  
The less he spoke the more he heard.  
Why can't we all be like that wise old bird?

### **Bat, Bat**

Bat, bat,  
Come under my hat,  
And I'll give you a slice of bacon;  
And when I bake  
I'll give you a cake  
If I am not mistaken.

### **The Owl**

There's a wide-eyed owl (circle fingers around eyes)  
With a pointed nose (point to nose)  
Two pointed ears (point to ears)  
And claws for toes (bend fingers like claws)  
When he sits up in the tree (point up)  
And he looks at you (circle fingers around eyes)  
He flaps his wings (flap arms)  
And says Whoo! Whoo!

### **Wise Old Owl**

Wise old owl  
Sitting in the tree  
Whoooo are you winking at? (point to eye)  
Is it me? (point to self)

### **Bats Are Sleeping**

*(Tune: Frere Jacques )*

Bats are sleeping, Bats are sleeping  
Upside down, upside down  
Waiting for the night to come  
Waiting for the night to come  
Then they fly around, Then they fly around

### **The Bat**

At night I sleep on a feather bed,  
A fluffy pillow under my head.  
*(fold hands and rest head)*  
The funny bat is not like that.  
*(shake head "no")*  
He hangs on a limb and sleeps so sound  
His little feet up and his little head down  
*(point to feet and head)*

**Signing:** The *owl* sign involves making big *owl* eyes.  
To sign *owl*, make your hands into circles  
and hold them up in front of your eyes.  
Twist your hands inward and outward.

