

# Bats!

They are an important part of our ecosystem! Here, in Washington state, we have 15 different species of bat! The most common is the Little Brown Bat.

## True or False

1. Bats are blind

True

False



2. Bats drink blood

True

False

3. Bats sleep upside down

True

False

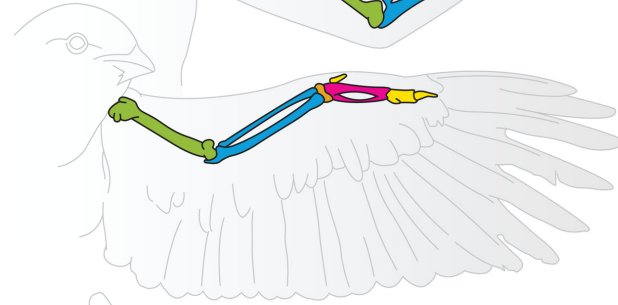
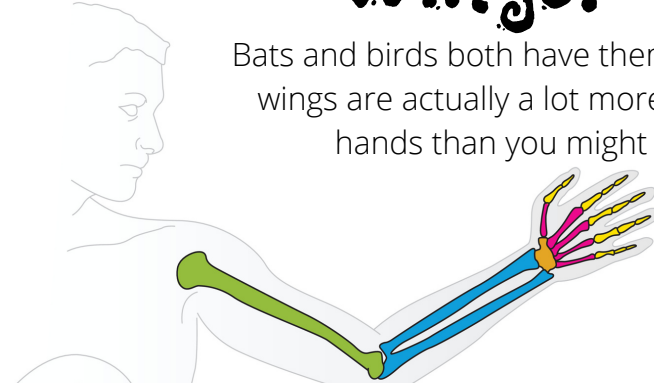
4. The Little Brown Bat weighs less than a quarter

True

False

## Wings!

Bats and birds both have them, but a bat's wings are actually a lot more like YOUR hands than you might think!



- Upper arm
- Lower arm
- Wrist
- Metacarpals
- Fingers

Answers:

1. False! Bats can see! They have very sensitive and specialized vision. They also use echolocation to help them notice more about their environment too.
2. False (mostly)! None of the bats who live in Washington drink blood. Most of them eat insects.
3. True! Bats hang by their feet to rest during the day.
4. False! The Little Brown Bat weighs about 8 grams, which is about the same and one and a half quarters.