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## **Glossary**

**feathers** soft body parts that cover a bird's skin

**flap** to move up and down

**flippers** flat body parts that help a water animal swim

**wings** parts of an animal's body used for flying

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Robins, ducks, penguins, and bats are different animals. But they all have wings!



# Robins



robin wing feathers ▶



Robins are birds that use their wings to fly. They flap their wings up and down, up and down, as they fly.

Robins have feathers on their wings. The feathers help the robins fly. They keep the robins warm, too.

Some robins fly away when the weather gets cold. They fly to warm places where they can find food. Later, robins fly back again.



# Ducks

Ducks are birds that use their wings to fly. A duck has feathers on its wings, just like a robin.

duck wing feathers ▶



Ducks have webbed feet. ▶



Some ducks also fly away when the weather gets too cold. Ducks spend a lot of time in the water. They may travel thousands of miles each year to find places where the water does not freeze.



## Penguins

Penguins are birds that have feathers on their wings. But penguins do not use their wings to fly. Penguins use their wings to swim.



◀ penguin wing feathers



A penguin's wings are like flippers. They help the penguin swim through the water. Penguins can swim very fast under the water.

These penguins live where the weather is always cold. They do not swim away to warm places. These penguins like cold places.







Some bats have very big wings. The wings of the biggest bat are more than five feet long from tip to tip.

Some bats have very small wings. This small bat is about the size of a bumblebee.

## Bats

This animal is a bat. Bats are not birds, but bats do have wings.

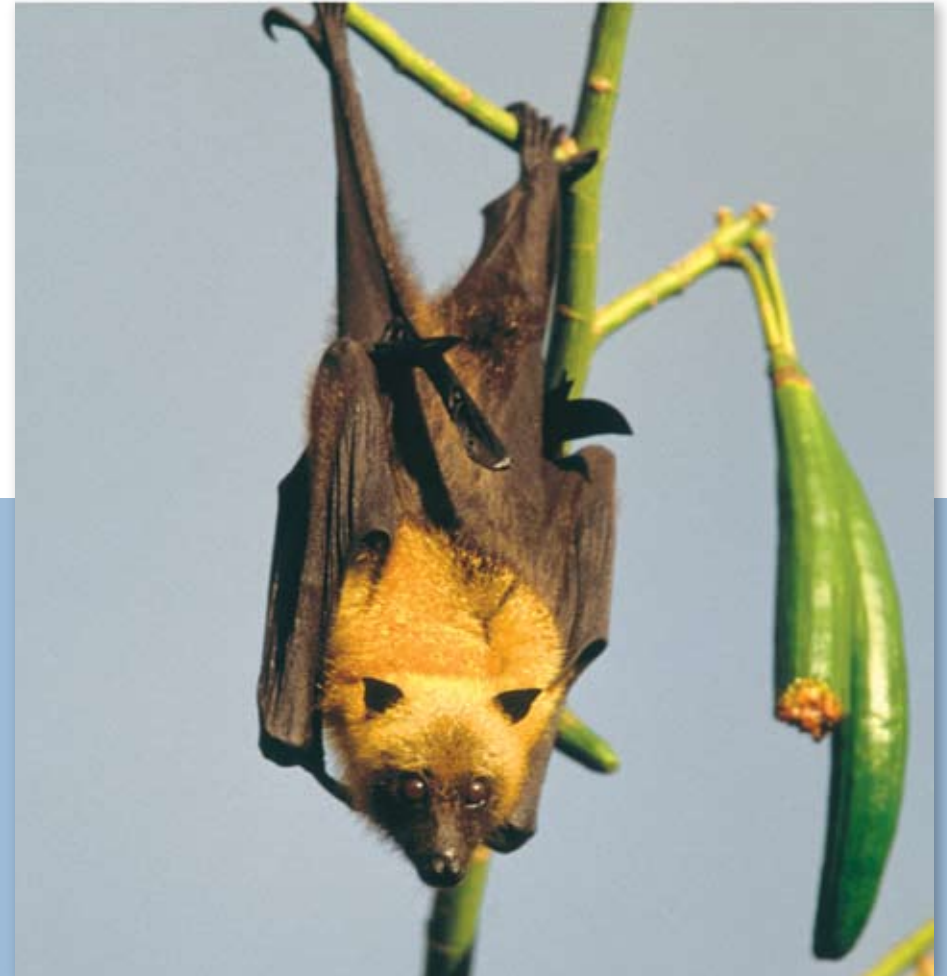
Bats do not have feathers. A bat's body is covered with fur. Its wings are covered with smooth skin.





At night, many bats fly around looking for bugs to eat. They catch the bugs while they are flying.

Bats sleep during the day. Bats have strong claws on their feet. They use their claws to hang upside down while they are sleeping. They fold their wings up while they sleep.



# Do you know?

Which of these animals can fly?

Which of these animals can not fly?

Which of these animals spend time in  
the water?

Which of these animals are birds?

Which of these animals does not  
have feathers?

