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Find the Evidence

Can you find the PROOF for your answers? Use a crayon in the color shown to underline where you found each answer in the text.

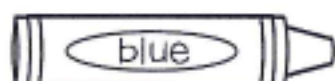
Going Batty

Bats are known as creepy, blood-sucking animals, but they are interesting animals who help life on Earth. There are over 1,200 species of bats. Most of them eat insects, and about a quarter of them eat fruit. The vampire bat really does feed on blood, though!

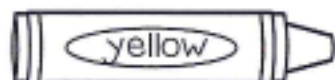
Bats are the only mammals who can fly, partly due to their bendable finger bones and very thin wings. Bats have many other amazing adaptations to help them survive in their habitats as well, which is why bats can live in almost every habitat on Earth.

As nocturnal animals, some bats can't see well and use echolocation to help them steer as they fly. Bats also have very sharp teeth so they can bite through the insects or through the skin of fruit. Many bats hibernate for a few months, too.

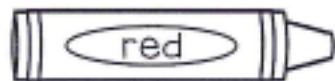
Bats are also very helpful! Bats can pollinate flowers and help move fruit seeds as they fly. Bats also eat many insects every night. Farmers even use bat waste to help their crops grow! Bats are so important to the world.



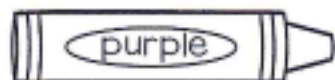
Who uses bat waste as fertilizer?



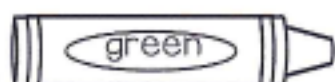
What can bats do that no other mammals can?



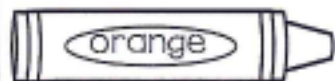
Where can bats survive on Earth?



Why do bats have such sharp teeth?



How are bats able to fly so well?



How many types of bats are there?