

Arizona Wildlife Podcast Comprehension Activity

Episode 16: Urban Bats

Part A: *Each statement below is incorrect. Determine what is wrong with each one and make changes so they will be correct.*

1. Bat roosts tend to be very hot and dry.
2. Mexican free-tailed bats are migratory, coming to Arizona during the cold winter months.
3. The majority of the world's bat species are nectar-feeders.

Part B: *Match the bat in the left-hand column with the type of food it eats from the right-hand column. Some foods may be used more than once while others may not be used at all.*

Some Arizona Bat Species

1. Lesser Long-nosed Bat
2. Mexican Free-tailed Bat
3. Mexican Long-tongued Bat
4. Western Pipistrelle

Some Bat Food Sources

- a. Blood
- b. Insects
- c. Pollen and Nectar
- d. Small Mammals and Lizards

Part C: *Answer each question below in complete sentences. The answers are not necessarily included in the content. They may require some critical thinking.*

1. Why do so many bats tend to use the same roosts?
2. How bats are beneficial.
3. Explain some of the differences between Mexican free-tailed bats and Western pipistrelles.