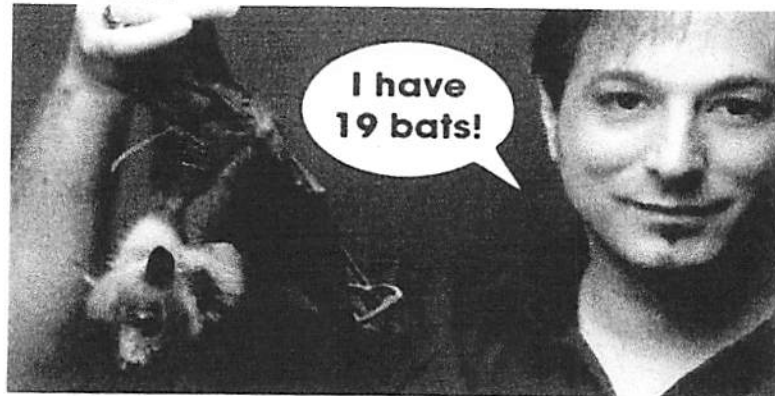


Bat News

A bat hangs upside down while it sleeps. Read about someone who hangs with bats.



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This man is not a superhero, but he knows a lot about bats.

To the Bat Cave!

Meet Joseph D'Angeli, New Jersey's very own bat man. D'Angeli is a **chiroptologist** (kigh-rop-TAH-luh-jist), or a person who studies bats. He keeps about 19 bats as pets in his home. He learns about the bats by watching them.

D'Angeli wanted to be a bat scientist when he was young. "When I was a teen, I loved watching bats everywhere—at zoos, out in the wild, on TV, everywhere," says D'Angeli.

Bats are **nocturnal** animals. They are active at night. Many people are afraid of these night creatures. D'Angeli teaches people that some bats are shy, loving, and even helpful!

Bat Facts

Bats are **mammals**. Mammals are warm-blooded animals that have hair on their bodies.

Some people put bat houses in their yards. Bats eat pesky insects.

Some bats eat fruits. They help plants grow by dropping the seeds in different places.

Bats sleep upside down. Their home is called a **roost**.

Bat babies are called pups. Female bats feed their babies milk from their bodies.

Write your answers to the following questions on notebook paper.

1. What made Joseph D'Angeli decide to become a bat scientist?
2. Based on the article, are bats a threat to humans? Why or why not?
3. If an animal wakes up with the sun and spends the day hunting, would we say that animal is nocturnal? Why or why not?

3rd Grade AMI Packet Day 4

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Model each problem with a drawing. Then, write an equation using a letter to represent the unknown, and solve for the unknown.

1. Three boys and three girls each buy 7 bookmarks. How many bookmarks do they buy all together?

2. Seven friends equally share the cost of a \$56 meal. How much does each person pay?