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The story of why bats come out only at night

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FOLKTALE

Panchatantra: Why do Bats come out in the dark?



Long ago, a violent battle broke out between the animals and the birds. The birds pecked at the animals and flew away out of their reach and the infuriated animals did not allow the birds to land on the ground to have food or water. This battle went on for many days.

The bats decided not to pick sides and stay neutral. They thought to themselves, "Ours is a special position, we are birds because we can fly, and we are animals because we do not lay eggs." So, the proud bats decided to join the winners. When the bats saw that the birds were in a winning position, they started hobnobbing with them, and when they felt that the animals were winning, they joined their camp.

Gradually, the birds and the animals both started to get tired of their continuous battle. So, they decided to make peace. The king of birds and the king of animals, both sat together and agreed upon a treaty. Both the kings decided to bury the hatchet and become good friends.

They also decided not to allow the selfish bats to join either of them.

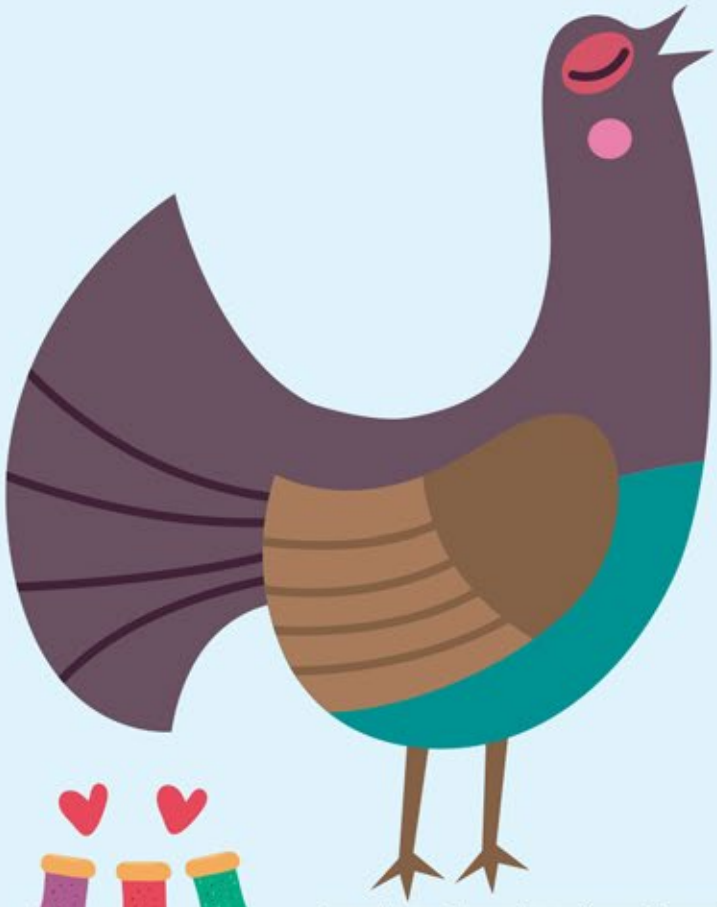
Thus, the bats were ostracised by both, the birds and the animals. They were so ashamed of themselves that they hid themselves in the dark caves.

That is why till today, the bats come out of their hiding only at twilight, when the birds are back in their nests and the animals are not yet out of their dens.



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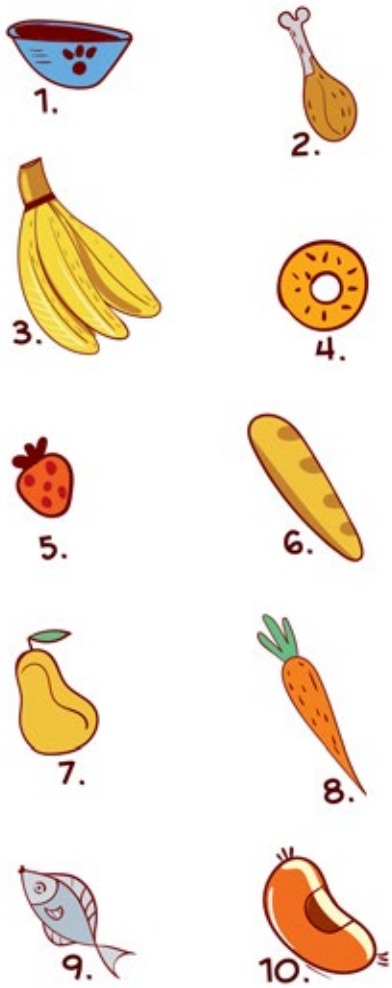
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FIND THE HIDDEN OBJECTS





PONDERING CORNER



Why are some people left handed?

Till recently it was believed that the inheritance of left-handedness was based on your parents and their genes. Research had previously focussed on the fact that your brain is the determiner for left or right handedness. However, new research suggests that the brain is not the deciding factor in the establishment of handedness.

When a child is in its mother's womb, by 8 weeks, they have chosen a dominant hand. By the 13th week, they are either sucking their right or their left thumbs. However, it is interesting to note that it is only by the 15th week, that the motor cortex in the brain begins sending messages to the spinal cord.

If the brain and the spinal cord aren't connected in the 8th to 13th week, how did the child choose which thumb to suck? It has been suggested that gene expressions in the spinal cord lead it to make the choice, rather than the brain.

Sam Visits Jellyfish Lake

Discover a new place

Some interesting facts about Jellyfish Lake!

I'm in the southern lagoon of Palau in Koror, in what is called the Jellyfish Lake, a marine lake that is packed with beautiful jellyfish.

The Jellyfish Lake is one of the marine lakes on the Eil Malk island here in Palau. There are around 70 other marine lakes around here, but this is the only one that is open to tourists. Imagine watching millions of jellyfish swarm across the lake, every day! That's what occurs here everyday, millions of jellyfish migrate horizontally across the lake, presumably to feed.

The Jellyfish Lake is 12,000 years old and is isolated from the others. It is connected to the ocean through fissures and tunnels in the Miocene reef. The isolation has caused the species living in the lake to have evolved significantly different from their cousins residing in the nearby lagoons.



The Jellyfish Lake is populated chiefly by two species of jellyfish - the moon jellyfish and the golden jellyfish. In recent times, there have been reports of dwindling jellyfish numbers, which is a huge cause for concern. Scientists think that this could be due to climate change and could be indicative of bigger changes to come in the ecosystem!

Coley and Bumbley about health and more...



Why is it so important to take care of your teeth?

Taking care of your teeth since childhood goes a long way. You will thank yourself when you can enjoy a piece of chocolate or any delicious fruit even at the age of 70 yrs.

Here are some easy ways to improve your oral health

* Brush your teeth along with the gum line twice a day with an ADA (accepted fluoride tooth-paste) to remove plaque – the sticky film on teeth which is the main cause of tooth decay.
Eat a well-balanced diet that limits starchy or sugary foods, which produce plaque acids that cause tooth decay.
* Drink plenty of water & limit sugary foods which contribute towards the tooth decay.
* Have regular visits to the dentist.
* Wear a mouth-guard during contact sports or activities where there is risk of injury to the face.



spot ten differences





(Greek)

CYMOTRICHOUS

(sahy-mo-truh-kuh s)

having wavy or noodly hair.

Wordling

A MAGNIFICENT VISUAL DICTIONARY

Why do bats hang upside down?

Hanging upside down is an excellent way for the bats to avoid predators. It provides them with an optimal position to take flight if they are attacked. Bats are mammals that have one of the heaviest wings. They cannot take flight when standing in an upright position. As their wings are heavy, they do not give bats the sufficient lift when they are standing like birds. Another reason for these poor little creatures is that they have underdeveloped hind legs. Like an aeroplane which runs before taking a flight, unfortunately bats cannot do so. Bats would fall down if they try to run and then take a flight.

Thus, bats are happy to hang upside down from attics, caves, bridges and other such places.

How do bats fly?

Bats use their claws to climb to a high spot and then hang upside down. When they have to fly they let go, drop down and in the middle of their drop they take a flight. When bats are sleeping they hang upside down as it means they can easily take a flight if attacked by predators. Hanging upside down is also a great way for bats to hide from predators.



Tickle your funny bone



Which animal is best at baseball?

THE BAT

Which circus performers can see in the dark?

THE ACRO-BATS

What is the first thing a bat learns at school?

THE ALPHABAT

amusing news

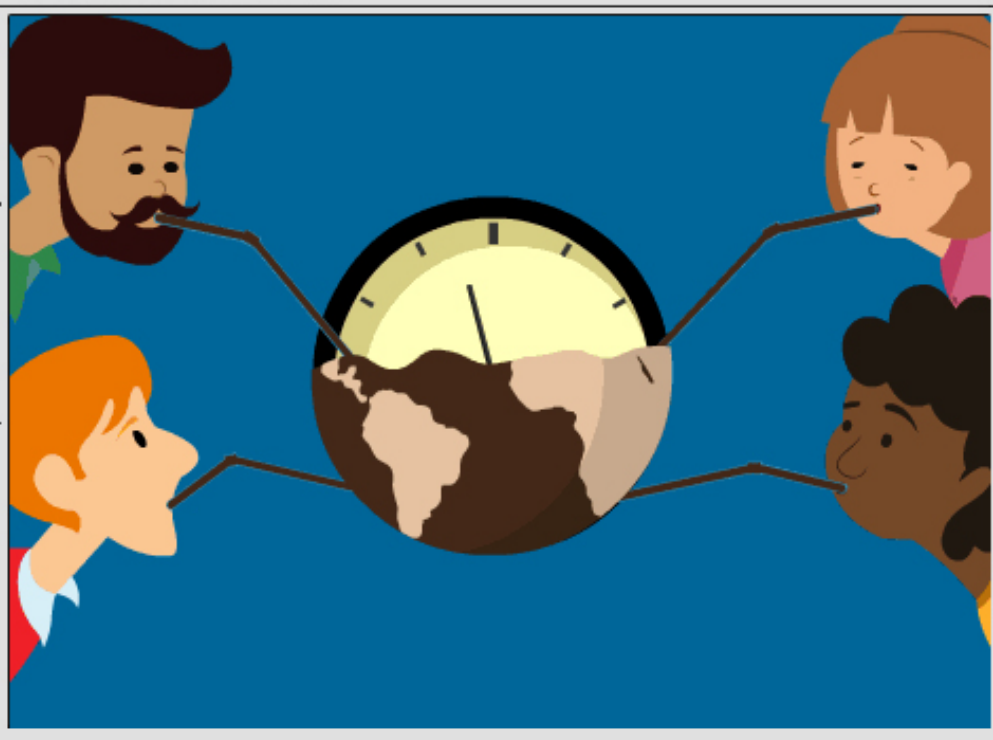
IT'S RAINING COFFEE!

The weather bureau confirms

It has been raining coffee between 9.30 to 11.30 am every day.

More News

Did you know that the world consumes close to 2.25 billion cups of coffee every day? Now, that is a lot of coffee!

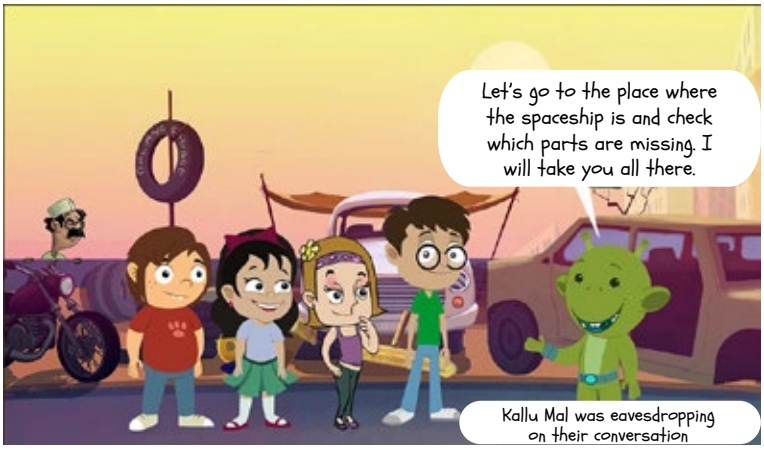


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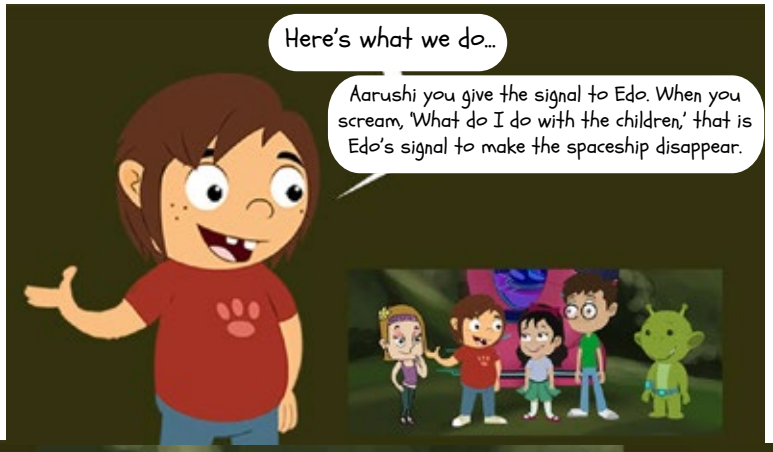


Spaceship where are you?












No, this girl is mad...don't listen to her. "No, I mean.. Wait, I will show you
She is mad, you say
Sir, I think they have all escaped from a mental aslum.


?
We have been turned!


Kallu uncle! I was waiting for you to get the police actors so we can finally put an end to this. Sir, Kallu Mal helps these mad children to play out their fantasies, so they can go home peacefully. Their parents can't afford the treatment.
No, no, she is lying. Come, I will show you.
What do I do with the children?

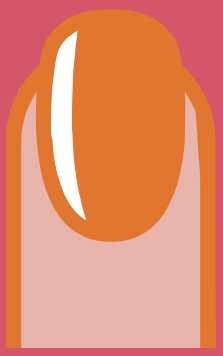

The policemen reached the spot with Kallu Mal, they didn't see any spaceship. The inspector just looked at Kallu Mal with anger.
It was right here...I swear... it was right here!
Edo made the spaceship disappear.


I think he has also lost his mind, trying to cure the children!
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It was right there!
Let's move the spaceship to a safer location.
Yes!

On my way home from school, I passed the newspaper stand. While curiously peering to look at the top stories of the day, I got a shock! My friend came to look at what I was looking into and he looked equally surpised. He said that his dad worked at the Police Station and had denied any rumours of this happening.

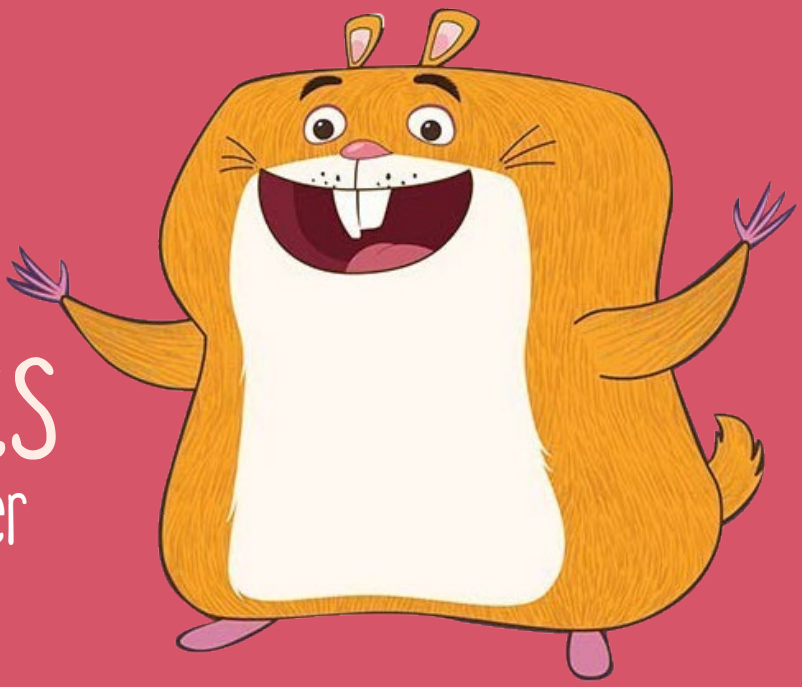


Complete the story...



funfacts

With Hamlet the Hamster



To know or not to know,
that is the question!
Well, wouldn't you prefer to know?

Facts About Fingernails

1. Fingernails grow faster than toe nails
2. Nails grow faster in the summer months as compared to the winter months.
3. The colour, shape and size of the nails, can tell doctors about overall health.
4. Primates are the only mammal to have nails.
5. Fingernails don't sweat.
6. Thumbnails grow the slowest.
7. The Incas painted pictures and designs on their fingernails.

Follow the sequence below to reach the second frog



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