

BATS AND OWLS

Owls and bats are alike and different. Did you know that both animals sleep during the day? This means that they are nocturnal or are animals that are awake during the night. During the daytime they sleep. Then at night they usually hunt for their food.

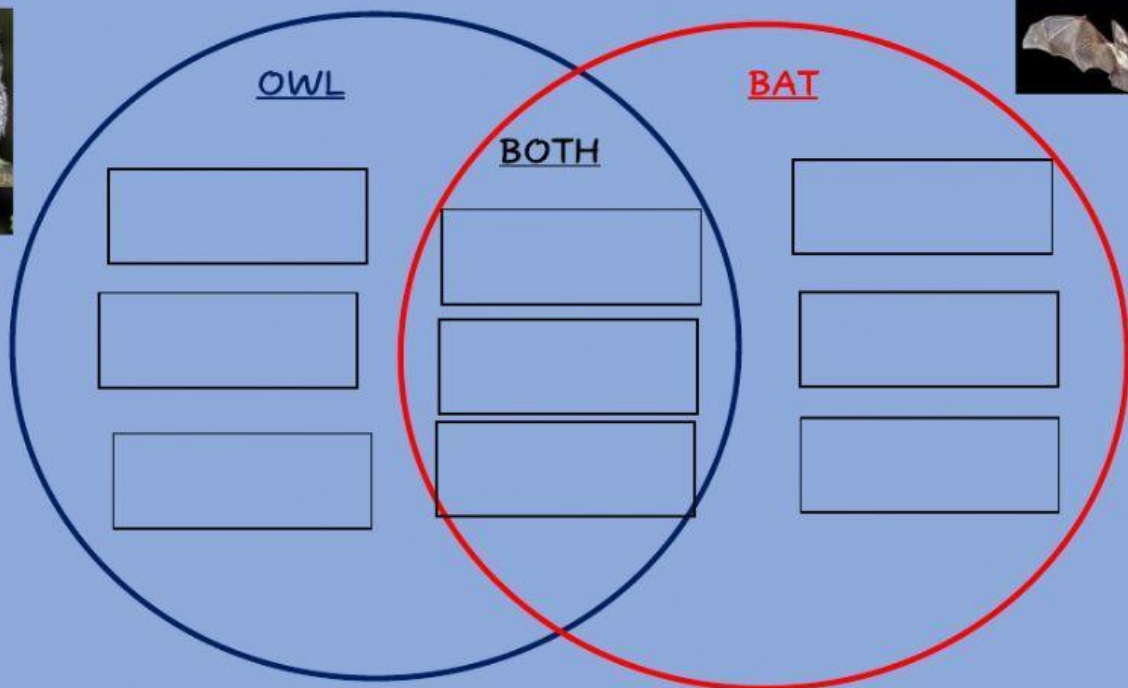
Both eat some of the same kind of food. They eat insects and small animals like mice, birds, and reptiles. However, bats will also eat fruit, and some even drink blood.

Owls are a kind of bird. They have wings and feathers. They use this to fly. Their babies, also called owlets or fledglings, hatch from eggs.

Are bats birds? No, unlike owls they have fur not feathers. They are the only mammals that can fly. They have wings, but they have arms, hands, and feet. Their babies, or pups, are born alive.

Both bats and owls may live in caves or trees. However, some bats even live under bridges. Both animals share things that are alike, but they also have differences.

Compare and contrast the information about owls and bats.



Have feathers	Can fly	Are birds
Have fur	Are mammals	Eat insects and small animals
Are nocturnal	Lay eggs	Babies born alive