

BUILD-A-BAT

Follow these instructions to make your own poseable long-tailed bat!

You'll need:

- Black crepe paper
- Two long black pipe cleaners
- The bat wings template from kcc.org.nz/build-a-bat
- A pencil or piece of chalk for tracing
- Scissors
- Bat body pieces (cut out)
- Something strong to stick the pieces together (we've used tape, but hot glue or staples work too)



STEP 1

Cut out the wing template you've printed out. Trace around it onto black crepe paper. Cut out the wings carefully so they don't rip.



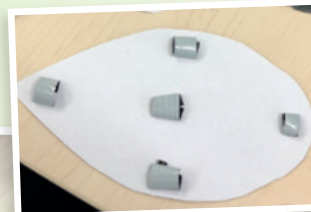
STEP 2 & 3

Twist pipe cleaners together twice, so you have two long "arms" and two shorter "legs". Stick this to the back of the BACK bat body piece like in the picture.



STEP 4

Put wings down on table and put the BACK bat body piece on top, right side up. Make sure the front middle of the wings line up with the white marks. Stick down the long "arms" onto the bat wings, then stick the back end of the bat body to the wings too.



STEP 5 & 6

Turn everything over. Stick down the FRONT bat body firmly on top of the wings. Make sure it all lines up with the BACK bat body underneath.



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STEP 7 Pose your long-tailed bat!



Roosting



Foraging on the forest floor



Getting ready to fly!