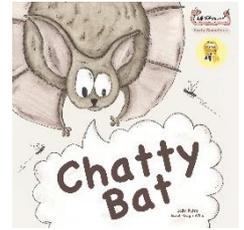


Chatty Bat Festive Pairs



Before you play a game look at the pictures together and name them.

Name and talk about the animals, Chatty Bat and her friends:

- *'Look at Chatty Bat's big ears ...'*
- *'The spiders have got lots of legs ... I wonder how many ... shall we count them?'*
- *'Chatty Bat has two presents ... I wonder what they are ...?'*

Play pairs (You will need 2 sets of pictures):

- Hand a picture from one set to each child and place the other set face up on the floor, or on a table.
- Invite each child in turn to name their animal or animals and say something about it – help as necessary: *'Are they dogs or cats?'* and *'How many are there ... shall we count them?'* *'Do you know what sound they make ...?'*
- Then invite each child to find its pair - helping as necessary saying *'The one that matches'* or *'looks the same'*.

Vary the game:

- Place one set of pictures face up on the floor and keep the other set in a pile face down.
- Select the top card and without letting the children see it give them a clue about which it is. For example: *'My animal is carrying bells – George can you find its pair?'*
- Can they remember its name? Can they say something else about it? For example, its long tail?

