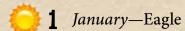
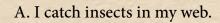


### Match Game: Busy Day and Night

How do the animals stay busy throughout the year? Match the following animals to their activity. There is one animal for each month. Some are busy during the day. Others are busy at night.











**3** *March*—Spider

C. I use my camouflage to grab insects.



**4** April—Frog

D. I fly to a river to fish.



**5** May—Opossum

E. I migrate south to find food.



6 June—Bat

F. I chew bark.



**7** July—Cricket

G. I search for prey in the snow.



8 August—Lizard

H. I scratch for insects to eat.



9 September—Goose

I. I eat moths and mosquitoes.



**10** October—Squirrel

J. I carry my babies on my back.



**11** November—Raccoon

K. I lay my eggs in water.



**12** December—Cougar

L. I sing by rubbing my wings together.

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**ACTIVITY SHEET: Riddles in Rhyme** 

**Directions:** Follow-up a reading of *Daytime Nighttime, All Through the Year* with more rhymes. Have children guess the animals from the story that are being described. Answers found on the following page.

- Tail is marked by stripey bands, Paws like busy little hands.
- A long, thin tail and 50 teeth.Mothers have a pouch beneath.
- 3. Flying quickly in the night, Finding moths a tasty bite.
- 4. Quills protect from enemies, Or maybe he'll just climb a tree.
- 5. They give honey for our plate; Plus, they help to pollinate.
- She builds a home for sons & daughters,
   With a doorway under water
- 7. Noisy insects out of sight, But we'll hear them on warm nights.
- 8. Ribs a'plenty', eyelids: none, Basking daily in the sun.

- 9. Dig, dig, dig with sturdy feet To escape the desert heat.
- 10. Running fast up rock or wall, In pursuit of insects small.
- 11. From the pond (and from an egg), This guy jumps on long, slim legs.
- 12. Up 'til now, her coat's been brown, But turns to white when snow's around.
- 13. His eyes are on the end of stalks; His slimy foot will glide, not walk.
- 14. All night long she spins a wheel Just to catch an insect meal.
- 15. She wakes at night; it's time to prowl.She contacts others with her howl.
- 16. Honking, flying, on their way To a spot with warmer days.

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#### Answers to the Riddles

- 1. Skunk
- 2. Opossum
- 3. Bat
- 4. Porcupine
- 5. Bees
- 6. Beaver
- 7. Crickets
- 8. Snake
- 9. Tortoise
- 10. Lizard
- 11. Frog
- 12. Weasel
- 13. Snail
- 14. Spider
- 15. Coyote
- 16. Geese

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### What if Poems

**Directions**: Fill in the final word of he poems with a word that rhymes with the last word in the second line. Answers appear on the following page.

BAT What if bats came out in day, When the sun is hot? Their tiny bodies would dry out , And so they'd better	TORTOISE What if a tortoise, who likes desert blooms, Would wake up and seek them in fall? She might keep walking for day after day And never find any at
GEESE What if geese would fly at night? There would be a cost. Without the sun to light their way, They just might get	SPIDER What if spider spun her web, Though in a place well chosen, In the winter, when it's cold. Would her web get?
WEASEL What if a weasel stayed white all the year, Not just winter, but times in between Out in green grasses & rocks black & brown, He'd be very easily	SNAIL What if a snail wandered out in the day, When sun was up high in the sky? That poor little guy couldn't stand that much heat And soon would be withered and
FROG What if frogs would lay their eggs In winter? Bad advice! It would be so cold that eggs Would turn to balls of	QUAIL What if a quail, who uses her eyes, To see tiny seeds on the ground? Went out at night to look for some food In the dark, she would miss what's
	SQUIRREL What if squirrels only sought acorns in spring, When acorns are still green and small? Because of bad timing, in winter to come, They'd have almost no food at

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#### **ANSWERS** for What If Poems

#### **BAT**

What if bats came out in day, When the sun is hot? Their tiny bodies would dry out, And so they'd better *not*.

#### **GEESE**

What if geese would fly at night? There would be a cost. Without the sun to light their way, They just might get *lost*.

#### **WEASEL**

What if a weasel stayed white all the year, Not just winter, but times in between Out in green grasses & rocks black & brown, He'd be very easily **seen**.

#### **FROG**

What if frogs would lay their eggs In winter? Bad advice! It would be so cold that eggs Would turn to balls of *ice*.

#### **TORTOISE**

What if a tortoise, who likes desert blooms, Would wake up and seek them in fall? She might keep walking for day after day And never find any at **all**.

#### **SPIDER**

What if spider spun her web, Though in a place well chosen, In the winter, when it's cold. Would her web get *frozen*?

#### **SNAIL**

What if a snail wandered out in the day, When sun was up high in the sky? That poor little guy couldn't stand that much heat And soon would be withered and *dry*.

#### QUAIL

What if a quail, who uses her eyes, To see tiny seeds on the ground? Went out at night to look for some food In the dark, she would miss what's **around**.

#### **SQUIRREL**

What if squirrels only sought acorns in spring, When acorns are still green and small? Because of bad timing, in winter to come, They'd have almost no food at **all**.