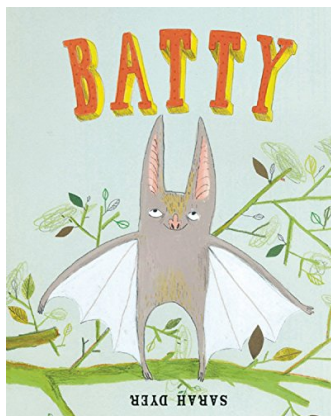


KINDERGARTEN READINESS TIPS

Read this book!



Batty

by Sarah Dyer

Grown-up tip

This simple rhyme helps little ones work on opposites and actions through story sequencing.

Explain the beginning, middle, and end of each stanza, pointing out the different corresponding parts.

Take a look at this!

Visit OC Public Library's Kindergarten Readiness webpage to see a video of this rhyme. Scan the QR code to find out more!



Two Little Black Bats

Two little black bats, flying through
the sky,
One named low, and one named high.
Fly away, low, fly away, high.
Come back, low, come back high.

Two little black bats, sitting on a cloud,
One named quiet, and one named LOUD.
Fly away, quiet, fly away, LOUD.
Come back, quiet, come back LOUD.

Two little black bats, leaving through the
gate,
One named early, and one named late.
Fly away, early, fly away, late.
Come back, early, come back late.

Additional versions:

Hanging from a stick - slow/quick
Flying in the night - left/right

Read this nonfiction title!



The Bat Book
by Charlotte
Milner



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[Mr. Pumpkin's Tea Party](#) by Erin Barker (2019). Mr. Pumpkin is having a party with all sorts of ghoulish delights!
XFICP BARKER E

[The Spooky Sleepover](#) by Norman Bridwell (2020). Clifford the Big Red Dog and Emily camp in their backyard and tell ghost stories by the campfire.
XFICP BRIDWELL N

[The Cow Said BOO!](#) by Lana Button (2021). Cow woke with a cold so every "MOO" sounds like a "BOO." As she stumbles into a hanging sheet, her barnyard friends worry they've come across a ghost!
XFICP BUTTON L

[Gustavo, the Shy Ghost](#) by Flavia Z. Drago (2020). Gustavo is good at many ghostly things, but is too shy to make monster friends. How can he share what he loves with them?
XFICP DRAGO F

[Poultrygeist](#) by Eric Geron (2021). Cock-a-doodle-BOO! Chicken has crossed to the Other Side, but doesn't want to scare people. Can Chicken be a friendly ghost?
XFICP GERON E

[10 Spooky Pumpkins](#) by Gris Grimly (2021). Countdown with pumpkins, goblins, ghosts, and more until a joyous celebration under the full harvest moon.
XFICP GRIMLY G

[We're Going on a Pumpkin Hunt](#) by Goldie Hawk (2021). Go on a spooky adventure to find a pumpkin!
XFICP HAWK G

[1, 2 Boo! A Spooky Counting Book](#) by Paul Howard (2021). There are monsters, ghosts, and skeletons about! Practice your counting skills with all the creepy creatures.
XFICP HOWARD P

[The Good, the Bad, and the Spooky](#) by Jory John (2021). Bad Seed needs a costume! Will he return to his baaaaaaad ways to find one?
XFICP JOHN J

[Goodnight Goon](#) by Michael Rex (2012). It's bedtime in the black lagoon, so Goon tells the other monsters goodnight.
XFICP REX M

[The Haunted Pumpkin Patch](#) by Amy Krouse Rosenthal (2022). Uni the Unicorn is planting a pumpkin patch, but her first pumpkin gets squished. Can she solve the mystery of who smashed her pumpkin?
XFICP ROSENTHAL A

[The Scariest Book Ever](#) by Bob Shea (2017). Ghost is scared to enter the forest because anything could pop out of the black hole that's there. But maybe it's not so bad?
XFICP SHEA B

[How to Build a Haunted House](#) by Frank Tupta (2020). A vampire family in need of a home gets help from some monsters to build a house before the sun comes up.
XFICP TUPTA F

[Boo Stew](#) by Donna Washington (2021). Curly Locks is an awful cook, but might have the skills to corral the Scares of Toadsuck Swamp.
XFICP WASHINGTON D

[Spooky & Spookier: Four American Ghost Stories](#) by Lori Haskins Houran (2015). Learn about four fact-based tales of American hauntings.
XP 133.10973 HOU

[The Bat](#) by Elise Gravel (2016). Learn some important facts about the only flying mammal on Earth: the bat! It's the ultimate spooky animal.
XP 599.4 GRA

[If You're a Monster and You Know It](#) by Rebecca Emberley (2010). Monsters sing about their own happiness.
XP 782.42 EMB

[There Was an Old Mummy Who Swallowed a Spider](#) by Jennifer Ward (2015). Mummy swallows all kinds of creepy things as he travels across the graveyard.
XP 782.42 WAR

[I Spy Spooky Night: A Book of Picture Riddles](#) by Jean Marzollo (2019). Travel from room to room to search for all the spooky things: mice, spiders, bats, jack-o-lanterns, bones, and more!
XP 793.73 MAR

