



# MY CREATURE FIELD GUIDE

This is a field guide to the creatures I have seen and taken photographs of myself

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Creature Photo	Creature Name	Date, Time & Location	Creature Info
	<p>Common Name: Damselfly</p> <p>Scientific name: Adonata Zygoptera</p>	<p>Date: July 20, 2021</p> <p>Time: 5:00pm</p> <p>Location: My backyard</p>	<p><b>Description:</b> big eyes, skinny body, when resting they fold their wings in, bright blue with black</p>
			<p><b>Habitat:</b> eggs are born in water as nymphs and live in water until becoming an adult. Adults are usually found around water too.</p>
			<p><b>Diet:</b> small insects, like mosquitoes</p>
			<p><b>Behaviour:</b> Zip around catching food, or you will see them resting in the sun</p>
			<p><b>Life Cycle:</b> eggs are laid in water, and after a few weeks or months, eggs hatch into a larvae or nymphs. It can take a year for the larvae to become an adult, and when fully grown it crawls out of the water and sheds its skin and comes out a damselfly. They only live for a few weeks or months after this.</p>
	<p>Common Name; Brown Bat (babies)</p> <p>Scientific Name: Myotis lucifugus</p>	<p>Date: Summer of 2009</p> <p>Time: Approximately 10:00pm</p> <p>Location: Our fireplace!</p>	<p><b>Description:</b> very small, adults only weight 7-14 grams, brown fuzzy hair with little teeth, wingspan of 22-27cm</p>
			<p><b>Habitat:</b> Found all across Canada, live in forests and cities. They are often found inside buildings! They hibernate in winter in caves and in summer roost (have babies) in trees or other dark warm places (like bat boxes)</p>
			<p><b>Diet:</b> eat a great variety of small, flying insects (like mosquitoes, moths, beetles) and are capable of catching over 1000 insects in just one hour!</p>
			<p><b>Behaviour:</b> Bats use echolocation to navigate and find food as they fly</p>
			<p><b>Life Cycle:</b> after about 50-60 days, a female will give birth to one baby bat called a pup, usually born in June or July. It clings to the wall or it's mother, and fly after about three weeks. It feeds on it's mothers milk for about 26 days.</p>
<p><b>Fun Facts:</b> Little brown bats are not blind even though many people think they are. When they hibernate, they pick a place that never freezes (like deep in a cave) and can slow their heartbeat from 200 beats a minute to as low as 20 beats a minute to keep their energy. Cool! They also get attached to the place they were born and return there year after year to have their own pups.</p>			