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# “Bat” Quiz

**Directions:** Read the poem “Bat” in the October 2007 issue of *Storyworks*. Then, fill in the circle next to the best answer for each question.

**1. What two things are mainly contrasted in this poem?**

- a. fortune and misfortune
- b. bats and birds
- c. light and dark
- d. dust and clay

**2. What does “holding aloof” mean in the phrase “holding aloof from the gaudy sun”?**

- a. avoiding
- b. flying toward
- c. looking at
- d. laughing at

**3. Where does the bat live?**

- a. in a pile of dust
- b. in a cave
- c. in a volcano
- d. near the sun

**4. “Like a grim flake of flint,” and “Like a surly stone thrown after the sun” are examples of**

- a. metaphors.
- b. similes.
- c. hyperboles.
- d. details.

**5. What is the tone of this poem?**

- a. humorous
- b. sad
- c. exciting
- d. serious

**6. Why do you think the author wrote this poem?**

- a. to make fun of bats’ blindness
- b. to persuade readers to keep a bat as a pet
- c. to describe bats’ habits
- d. to prove bats are scary