

## Leather Winged Bat

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Hi," said the little brown leather winged bat,  
"I'll tell you the reason that,  
the reason that I fly in the night's  
because I lost my heart's delight."

How-dee dow-dee diddle o day,  
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How-dow dee-di die do-do.

"Hi," said the woodpecker, sittin' on a fence,  
"Once I courted a handsome finch.  
She got sulky and from me fled,  
ever since then my head's been red."

"Hi," said the little white morning dove,  
"I'll tell you how to regain your love.  
Court her by night and court her by day,  
never give her time to say, 'Oh, Nay!'"