



# STELLALUNA

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Stellaluna tells about a young fruit bat, Stellaluna, who becomes separated from her mother and finds her way to a nest of birds. She is adopted by them and learns bird-like behavior. She struggles to be a bird because she is not a bat, but she and the other babies learn from one another until one day she discovers others who are just like her.



## Questions:

1. How do you think Stellaluna and her mom felt when the bird attacked them? How did Stellaluna feel when they got separated? How did her mom feel?
2. How do you think she felt hanging in the tree alone?
3. How would the birds feel when a baby bat fell into their nest out of nowhere? How would Stellaluna feel finding herself suddenly surrounded by others?
4. How do you think Stellaluna felt eating the yucky bugs? Have you ever been so hungry you'd even eat food that you didn't like the taste of? What should we do if we know someone who is hungry? How can we help?
5. Stellaluna likes to sleep upside down but Mama Bird wants her to sleep in the nest. Is one of them wrong or are they just different? Can we disagree and all be right? Should we all be the same?
6. How do you think Stellaluna felt when Mama Bird told her she was bad for doing things that felt natural to her? What should Mama Bird have done? Would it be okay for Stellaluna to still sleep how she felt comfortable as long as the baby birds stay safe?
7. How do you think Stellaluna felt when she couldn't land on the branch? Have you ever had trouble doing something that seemed easy for others? How did it feel? If you see that someone is having a hard time, how can you help?
8. How do you think Stellaluna felt when she met the other bats? What does "wrong for a bird, maybe, but not for a bat" mean? How do you think she felt when she found out she wasn't wrong all along?
9. How do you think Stellaluna's mom felt when she found her? How do you think Stellaluna felt to see her mom again?
10. How do you think she felt when she found out she wouldn't have to eat yucky bugs anymore?
11. Why do you think Stellaluna went back to the birds after she found her bat family? Why did she try to show them her new life and have them with her?
12. Can you be friends with someone even if you are different from them? Is it more important how you are on the outside or how you feel on the inside?