**Bunnicula Task**

Chester and Harold need to get more information on vampires. Harold and

Chester would like to present this information to Mr. and Mrs. Monroe so the family will know what Bunnicula is capable of.

Working in groups of two, each student will choose the role of either Chester (the reader) or Harold (the writer) while you are on the computer or iPad (you will not be able to print out material, only make notes). Together you will do research using the Internet on nature's vampires -Vampire Bats, as well as Dracula.

Using the websites given, conduct your research on vampires. Then write a letter to the Monroe family about all the information you've found together. Compare this information to the characteristics of Bunnicula. Can you convince them that he is a vampire? Think of characteristics that they share.

Use these sites:

[Bat Facts](http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/sciencefacts/animals/bat.html)

[Dracula](http://www.infoplease.com/spot/dracula1.html)

[More Dracula Facts](http://www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/free-printable/reading-printables/real-dracula)

[Vampire legends](http://vampiresaroundtheworld.weebly.com/romania.html)

DID YOU KNOW that Transylvania is an ancient part of the country Hungary (in Europe)? It was said to be the home of Count Dracula.

You will be evaluated on the following:

Your collaboration (working together as a team) The quality of information you gathered.

The amount of detail you provide in your comparison of Bunnicula and Vampires.

Your final product – the letter to the Monroe’s (each student writes a letter).