

Leatherwing Bat
Lyrics

"Aye!, " said the little leatherwing bat
"I'll tell you the reason that
The reason that I fly by night
Is 'cause lost my heart's delight.

CHORUS:

Howdy dowdy diddle all day,
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Lo lo lee da diddle lee o.

"Hi," said the little mourning dove,
"I'll tell you how to regain your love,
Court her night, court her day,
Never give her time to say you nay."

"Hi," said the owl with head so white,
"Another day and a lonesome night,
Thought I heard a pretty girl say
She'd court all night and sleep all day.

"Hey," said the redbird, sitting on a chair,
"Once I courted a lady fair,
She got saucy and then she fled,
Ever since then my head's been red.
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"Hi," said the blackbird, sitting on a bench,
"Once I courted a handsome wench,
She got fickle and turned her back,
Ever since then I've dressed in black."

"Hi," said the bluebird as he flew,
"If I were a young man I would have two,
If one got saucy and wanted to go,
I'd have a new string to my bow."

"Hi," said the jaybird sitting in a tree,
"When I was a young man I had three,
Two got saucy and took to flight,
The one that's left don't treat me right."