Bat

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The bat sees
Only in the dark
Side of earth,
Taking dust and
Clay for his
Colors, holding
Aloof from

He cleaves to
The cave roof
Like a grim
Flake of flint,
Or flings out
Like a surly
Stone thrown

Knowing no better
Than hardheaded
Earth does,
That in his
Own blind
Veins run
The lighthearted lavas

Creatures large and small abound in this terrific book of poetry, written by Valerie Worth and illustrated by Steve Jenkins.

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