Teacher Answer Key

Case Study

1. Ranchers blamed the bats for dead livestock, and the bats really were feeding on cattle, but the bigger danger was the rabies they could pass on.

2. Vaccinating the livestock protects the herd without wiping out bats that control pests and pollinate crops.

Multiple Choice

1. A

2. B

3. D

Matching

1-C, 2-A, 3-B, 4-E, 5-D

Fill-in-the-Blank

1) Agave, 2) Lick, 3) Rabies

Short Answer (Sample Responses)

Q1: Myths portray bats as evil or all bloodsuckers; in reality, most are harmless and beneficial.

Q2: They provide natural pest control, pollination, and seed dispersal, supporting biodiversity and farming.

Q3: By teaching about bats' ecological benefits and correcting myths, fear is reduced and conservation supported.