

batty['bæti] *a*

1. *разг.* спятивший, помешавшийся, не в своём уме
2. *редк.* похожий на летучую мышь

batty

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batty [batty battier battiest] *BrE* ['bæti] ^ɹ *NAmE* ['bæti] ^ɹ **adjective** (informal, especially *BrE*)

(of people or ideas) slightly crazy, in a harmless way

- a batty old man

Word Origin:

early 20th cent.: from ↑**bat** (the animal) + ↑**-y**.

Synonyms:**mad**

crazy • nuts • batty • out of your mind • (not) in your right mind

These are all informal words that describe sb who has a mind that does not work normally.

mad • (informal, especially *BrE*) having a mind that does not work normally: ▫ I thought I'd go mad if I stayed any longer.

Mad is an informal word used to suggest that sb's behaviour is very strange, often because of extreme emotional pressure. It is offensive if used to describe sb suffering from a real mental illness; use **mentally ill** instead. **Mad** is not usually used in this meaning in North American English; use **crazy** instead.

crazy • (informal, especially *NAmE*) having a mind that does not work normally: ▫ A crazy old woman rented the upstairs room. Like **mad**, **crazy** is offensive if used to describe sb suffering from a real mental illness.

nuts • [not before noun] (informal) mad: ▫ That noise is driving me nuts! ◇ ▫ You guys are nuts!

batty • (informal, especially *BrE*) slightly mad, in a harmless way: ▫ Her mum's completely batty.

out of your mind • (informal) unable to think or behave normally, especially because of extreme shock or anxiety: ▫ She was out of her mind with grief.

(not) in your right mind • (informal) (not) mentally normal: ▫ No one in their right mind ▫ would choose to work there.

to be mad/crazy/nuts/out of your mind/not in your right mind **to do sth**

to **go** mad/crazy/nuts/batty

to **drive sb** mad/crazy/nuts/batty/out of their mind

completely mad/crazy/nuts/batty/out of your mind

Example Bank:

- Her mum's completely batty.
- There was a batty old woman living next door.

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[Date: 1900-2000; Origin: ⇨ ↑**bat**¹(7)]

slightly crazy, but not in an unpleasant or frightening way **SYN** nutty

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