

BUSY BEES



Bees are small insects that play a big role in our world. They help plants grow by moving pollen from one flower to another. This process, called pollination, helps fruits, vegetables, and nuts grow. In fact, about one-third of the food we eat depends on bees.

Bees also support nature. They help wild plants grow, which provide food and homes for other animals. Without bees, many plants and animals would struggle to survive.

Unfortunately, bee populations are declining. This is due to habitat loss, pesticide use, diseases, and climate change. To help bees, we can:

- Plant a variety of flowers that bloom at different times of the year.
- Avoid using harmful chemicals in our gardens.
- Support local beekeepers by buying their honey.
- Provide nesting sites by leaving some areas of our gardens wild.

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Choose the correct answer.

1) What do bees help plants do?

- a) Grow faster
- b) Produce seeds and fruits
- c) Change color
- d) Move to new places

2) How much of our food depends on bees?

- a) About one-third
- b) About half
- c) Almost all
- d) Very little

3) What is one way to help bees?

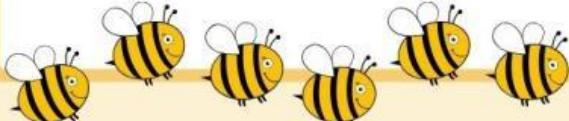
- a) Use more pesticides
- b) Plant the same type of flower everywhere
- c) Leave some areas of the garden wild
- d) Remove all flowers from the garden

4) Why are bee populations declining?

- a) Too many flowers
- b) Habitat loss and pesticide use
- c) Too much rain
- d) Lack of sunlight

5) How can supporting local beekeepers help bees?

- a) It reduces the number of bees
- b) It encourages harmful practices
- c) It helps maintain healthy bee populations
- d) It has no effect on bees

**2**

Complete the sentences with words from the box.

pollination pesticides habitat
beekeepers wild

1. Bees help plants grow through a process called _____.
2. Using fewer _____ in gardens can protect bees.
3. Loss of natural _____ is a threat to bee populations.
4. Supporting local _____ helps maintain healthy bee colonies.
5. Leaving some garden areas _____ provides nesting sites for bees.

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Watch the video and complete the sentences with right numbers.

1. Bees have _____ legs and _____ wings.
2. There are _____ most popular types of bees.
3. Bees eggs hatch after _____ or _____ days.