



The Secret Life of Bees

Read the passage, then use what you learned to answer six questions.

A busy day in the hive



Bees are small insects with a big job. They live together in groups called colonies. When a worker bee finds flowers with nectar, it flies back to the hive. There, it does a special movement called a waggle dance. The direction and length of the dance help other bees find the flowers.

As a bee drinks nectar from a flower, tiny grains of pollen stick to its body. When the bee visits another flower, some pollen rubs off. This movement of pollen between flowers is called pollination. It helps many plants make seeds and fruit.

Bees support whole ecosystems. Plants that grow with bees' help can provide food and shelter for birds, insects, and other animals. People also enjoy foods from pollinated plants, such as apples and berries. By visiting flowers and sharing information with their hive, bees help many living things thrive.



Bee a Reading Detective!

Choose the best answer for each question.

Your detective progress

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1. What is the main idea of the passage?

Select an answer



2. How does a bee tell other bees where to find flowers?

Select an answer



3. In the passage, what does "pollination" mean?

Select an answer



4. What might happen if there were fewer bees?

Select an answer



5. Which sequence shows how a bee helps pollinate flowers?

Select an answer



6. Why did the author write this passage?

Select an answer



Check answers

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How to use this worksheet

Select one answer for each question, then choose "Check answers" to see your feedback and score. Choose "Reset worksheet" to start again.