Busy Bees

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I read it: ☆ to myself ☆ to a grown-up ☆ to a friend

1. Bees are small insects with six legs and four wings. Many bees live together in a **hive.**

2. Bees fly from flower to flower. They drink a sweet juice called **nectar.** They take the **nectar** back to the **hive** and make it into honey.

3. Bees also carry a yellow dust called **pollen.** When a bee visits a flower, some **pollen** sticks to its fuzzy body. The bee takes it to the next flower. This helps plants make seeds and fruit.

4. Without bees, we would have fewer apples, berries and nuts!

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Busy Bees: questions

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I can find answers in the text. Look back at the text to check.

1 Circle the best answer

1. How many legs does a bee have?

(a) six (b) eight (c) four

2. What do bees make from nectar?

(a) bread (b) honey (c) milk

3. What sticks to a bee's fuzzy body?

(a) pollen (b) sand (c) water

2 True or false? Circle one.

Bees have four wings. **True** **False**

Each bee lives all alone. **True** **False**

Bees help plants make fruit. **True** **False**

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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Busy Bees: words and writing

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1 Match each word to its meaning. Draw a line.

hive	○	○ yellow dust from flowers
nectar	○	○ a home for bees
pollen	○	○ sweet juice in flowers

2 Write your answer in a full sentence.

Why are bees important to plants?

3 Draw and label something you learned.

How did I do? ☆ ☆ ☆

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1 Circle the best answer

1. a) six
2. b) honey
3. a) pollen

2 True or false

True: Bees have four wings.

False: Each bee lives all alone.

True: Bees help plants make fruit.

3 Word meanings

hive: a home for bees

nectar: sweet juice in flowers

pollen: yellow dust from flowers

4 Written answer (sample)

Bees carry pollen from flower to flower, and that helps plants make seeds and fruit.

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