



Honey

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Introduction

Do you like to eat honey? This text is about honey – where it comes from and how it is stored.

You will read about

- how bees collect a sweet juice called nectar
- how they store it in a honeycomb
- how they do a special 'dance' for other bees.

A What is the text about?

Tick **one**.

flowers

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wax

☐

dancing

☐

honey

☐

B What is stored in a honeycomb?

Making honey

Honey is made by bees from the nectar they collect from flowers. They store the honey in honeycombs inside their nests, and use the honey as food.



Honeybees on a honeycomb

There are different sorts of bees. Honeybees make more honey than other bees. They make twice as much honey as they need.

- 1 What does the bee use the nectar for?

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keeping warm

☐

making honey

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going to a
flower

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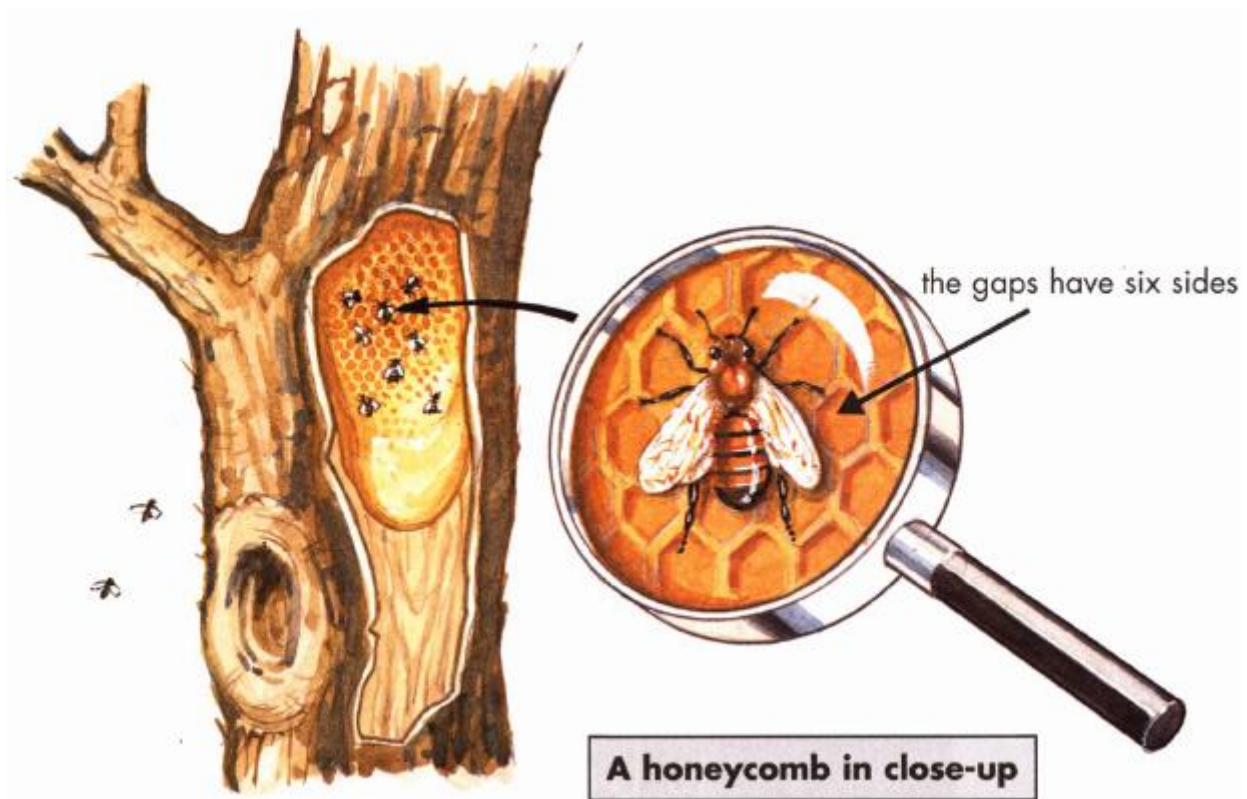
doing a dance

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- 2 Which bees make more honey than other bees?

In the country, some bees make their nests in places like the trunk of a tree.

Bees make honeycombs with wax from their own bodies. The gaps in the honeycomb are where the honey is stored.



3 Where does the wax for the honeycombs come from?

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the trees

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the ground

☐

the bees'
bodies

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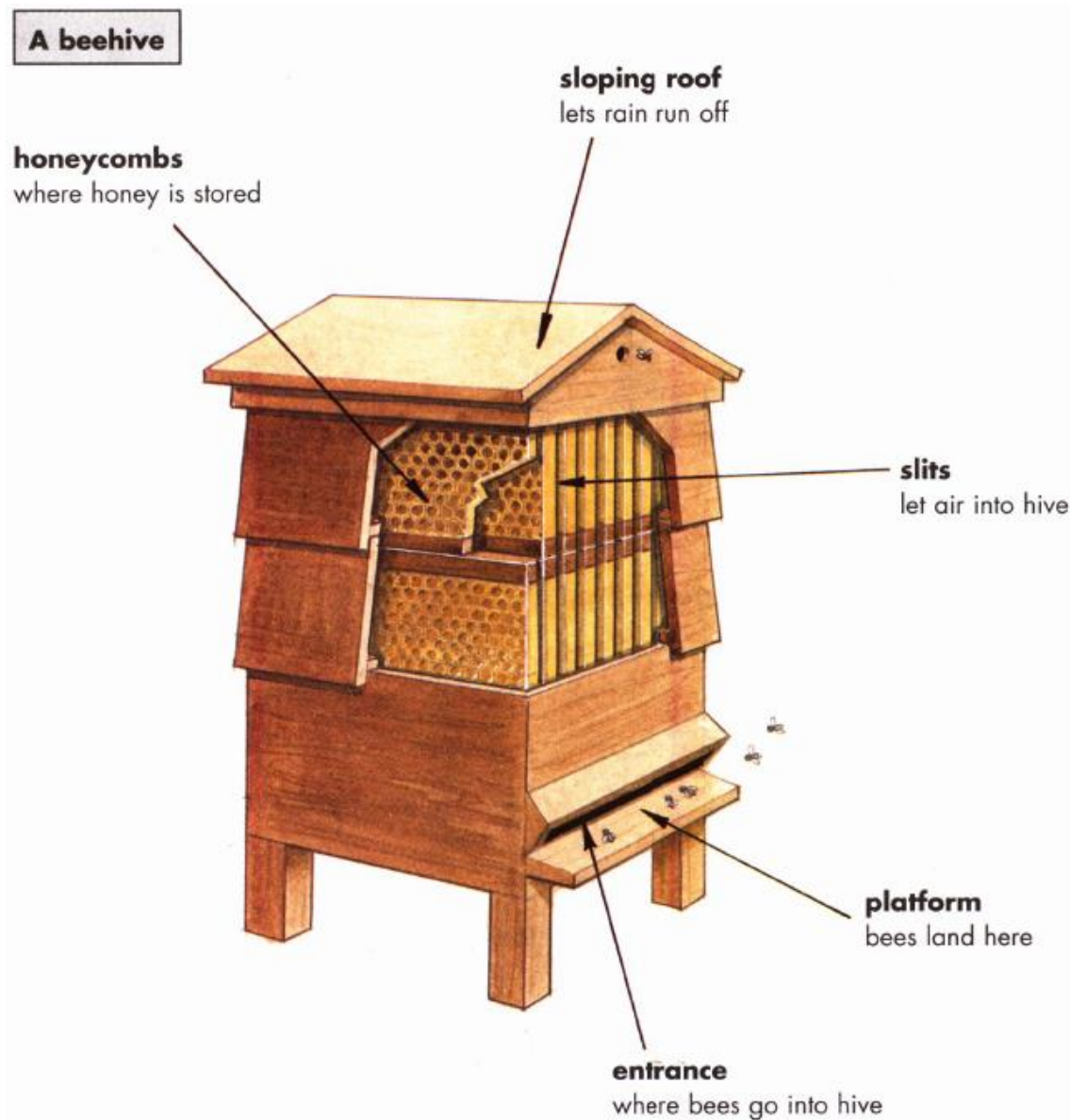
the bees' wings

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4 Where in the honeycomb is the honey stored?

Beehives

In gardens or on farms, beekeepers keep bees in beehives like this one so they can collect the honey. About fifty thousand bees live in one beehive.



5 Why do people keep bees in beehives?

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to keep them as
pets

☐

to stop them
stinging

☐

to keep them
hidden

☐

to collect the
honey

☐

6 About how many bees live in one hive?

7 How is air let into the hive?

8 What helps the rain run off the hive?

Tick **one**.

the platform

☐

the sloping roof

☐

the honeycombs

☐

the slits

☐

How bees feed



The bee sucks nectar with its mouth, which is shaped like a tube.

Bees fly hundreds of times between flowers and their honeycombs.



9 How does the bee collect the nectar?

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with its body

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with its wings

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with its legs

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with its mouth

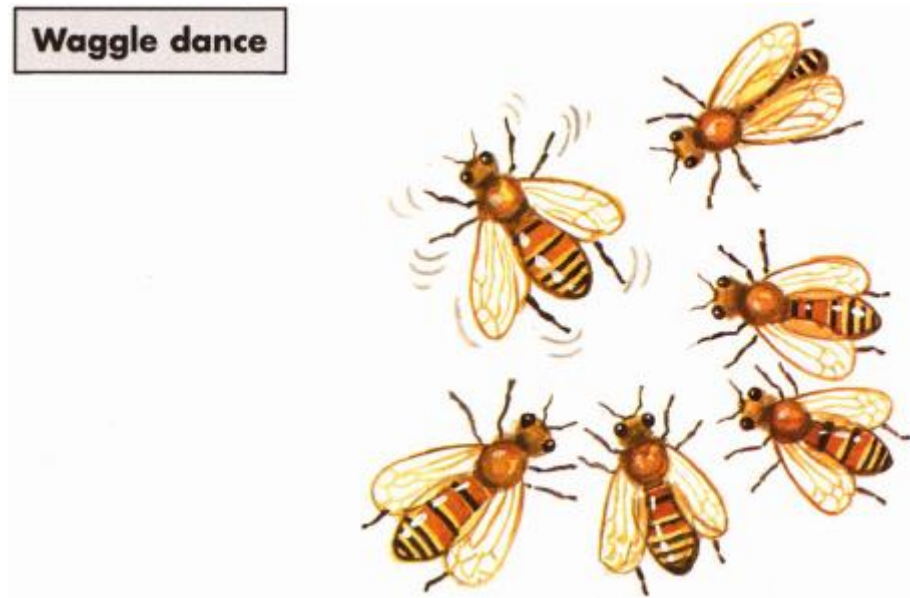
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10 What does it say the bee's mouth is shaped like?

The bee's dance

When a bee finds a lot of nectar, it does a 'dance' when it gets back to the nest or hive. The 'dance' shows the other bees where to find the nectar.

Bees 'dance' by wagging their bodies and pointing the way to the food. If they waggle a lot, it means the food is a long way away.



11 Why does a bee 'dance'?

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to tell other bees
where to find the
nectar

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to stop other bees
finding the nectar

☐

to show it is happy

☐

to show it is working
hard

☐

12 What does it mean if bees waggle a lot?

Mark schemes

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A	Honey.	Practice
B	Honey • nectar • sweet juice.	Practice
1	Making honey.	1
2	Honeybees.	1
3	The bees' bodies.	1
4	In the gaps/holes • in the gaps of the honeycomb.	1
5	To collect the honey.	1
6	<i>Children's intention should be to write 50,000. If the answer is written as a number, one too many or one too few zeros should still be marked as correct.</i> 50,000 • (5000 / 500000) • about fifty thousand.	1
7	Slits • gaps • holes. Through the slits/gaps/holes. Through the holes at the side/top.	1
8	The sloping roof.	1
9	With its mouth.	1
10	(Shaped) like a tube.	1
11	To tell the bees where to find the nectar.	1
12	<i>Answers should refer to the distance away of the food.</i> The food/nectar is a long way away.	1