

Asking and Answering Questions About Nonfiction

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Quick Review

Good readers ask questions like who, what, where, when, why, and how. To answer, look back at the text and find the fact that tells you.

PART 1 — READ

Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

The Work of a Honeybee

A honeybee is a small insect that lives in a hive. Many bees live in one hive together. Each bee has a job to do. The queen bee lays the eggs. Worker bees fly out to find food. They keep the hive clean and safe. Bees work hard every single day.

Worker bees look for flowers. They drink a sweet juice called nectar. They carry the nectar back to the hive. Bees turn nectar into honey. They store the honey in little wax cells. Bees eat honey in the winter when no flowers bloom.

Bees also help flowers grow. Yellow dust called pollen sticks to a bee's body. The bee carries pollen from flower to flower. This helps new plants and seeds grow. Bees are tiny, but they help the whole world.

PART 2 — PRACTICE

Read the passage. Then answer each question by looking back at the text.

- Where does a honeybee live?
 - in a nest
 - in a hive
 - in a tree hole
 - in the ground
- Who lays the eggs in the hive?
 - the worker bee
 - the baby bee
 - the queen bee
 - the oldest bee



- 3. What do worker bees fly out to do?
 - A. to find food
 - B. to sleep
 - C. to play
 - D. to hide
- 4. What is the sweet juice that bees drink from flowers?
 - A. honey
 - B. water
 - C. pollen
 - D. nectar
- 5. When do bees eat honey?
 - A. in the spring
 - B. in the winter
 - C. every morning
 - D. at night
- 6. How do bees help flowers grow?
 - A. They water the flowers.
 - B. They carry pollen from flower to flower.
 - C. They sing to the flowers.
 - D. They pull weeds near the flowers.
- 7. Why do bees store honey in wax cells?
 - A. to give it away
 - B. to eat it later when there are no flowers
 - C. to make the hive heavy
 - D. to feed the flowers
- 8. Each bee in the hive has a job to do.
T / F
- 9. What does a worker bee do with the nectar it finds?

- 10. Write one question you could ask about bees, then answer it using the text.



Answer Keys

- 1 A B C D
- 2 A B C D
- 3 A B C D
- 4 A B C D
- 5 A B C D

- 6 A B C D
- 7 A B C D
- 8 T F
- 9
- 10

Explanations

1. B	Paragraph 1 says a honeybee lives in a hive.
2. C	Paragraph 1 says the queen bee lays the eggs.
3. A	Paragraph 1 says worker bees fly out to find food.
4. D	Paragraph 2 says bees drink a sweet juice called nectar.
5. B	Paragraph 2 says bees eat honey in the winter when no flowers bloom.
6. B	Paragraph 3 says the bee carries pollen from flower to flower.
7. B	Paragraph 2 says bees eat the stored honey in winter when no flowers bloom.
8. T	Paragraph 1 says each bee has a job to do.
9.	Answer: A worker bee carries the nectar back to the hive and turns it into honey. Accept any answer that says bees bring nectar home and make honey.
10.	Answer: Example: Question: Where do bees keep their honey? Answer: They keep it in little wax cells. Accept any clear question with an answer found in the passage.



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