

Beautiful Bee Life



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Bees... where would we be without bees? Bees are the one source of pollination that our crops cannot live without. Did you know without any bees we wouldn't have many types of food?



Hi, I'm Bindy and I'm Bandy. We're bees! We are here to talk to you about the importance of our role in the cycle of producing your food, so you can live a healthy life.



So, you might be thinking how do bees help nature? We collect tiny yellow balls of pollen found in flowers. We collect the pollen and stuff it into a container behind our leg.



We collect pollen from the flowers of plants.
Plants are important because they breathe
out what we breathe in – oxygen.



We fly around carrying pollen from one flower to another, fertilising the plant so it can grow and produce food.



As well as pollinating plants in the garden, bees help to pollinate a third of the food people eat. We also help pastures to grow so that cows and other livestock can eat.

Did you know we help to make coffee and chocolate?



We also make honey! When we collect pollen, we take it back to our hive and store it into little tubes, which eventually turns into honey.



Then a beekeeper comes
and takes the honey.



"Bzzzz Bindy, don't eat all the honey!
Save some for me"

"Don't worry Bandy, we'll make
much, much more", replies Bindy.



But what if we couldn't make any more honey? What if we ran out of plants to pollinate? Or what if we weren't around anymore?



That would be a disaster because we are the only insects that can make honey and we are very important for the environment.



"Without bees lots of plants wouldn't get pollinated", said Bindy.

"Oh no!" exclaimed Bandy. "Then there would be no honey!"



Bees are amazing insects. There are about 20,000 different types of bees in the world! We live everywhere except Antarctica and our work helps to feed 90% of the human population. Now that is amazing.



As you can see we really need your help! Bees are extremely important for the planet and without us there would be a lot less food, fewer trees, less oxygen and lots of other plants and animals would go extinct.





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