

“Bees”

Reading Comprehension – Informational Passages

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer questions about the passage below.

Bees are insects. Bees are **special** insects because they can **fly**! They can move through the air like an airplane! Bees can fly because they have wings. They use their wings to fly. Bees can fly fast. Bees can also fly slow. They can fly up and they can fly down. They need to fly to get to the flowers!

Bees can have three colors. They can be yellow, red, and orange. All bees are black in some places.

Bees have three main parts. They have a head. They have a body. And, they have a stinger. The stinger is used to **defend** against enemies. They also have six legs. They use their legs to stand and climb. They also use their legs to eat and collect pollen.

Bees live in many places. They live in Africa, Australia, Asia, Europe, North America, South America. The only **continent** that bees do not live on is Antarctica! I understand why they don't live in Antarctica. It's too cold!

Most of the time, bees are nice to humans. If you do not **bother** them, they will not bother you. Have fun watching the bees this summer!



Questions:

1) What are bees?

- A. Mammals
- B. Birds
- C. Reptiles
- D. Insects

2) How do bees fly?

- A. They use their legs.
- B. They use their head.
- C. They use their wings.
- D. None of the above.

3) How many legs do bees have?

- A. Two
- B. Four
- C. Six
- D. Eight

4) What is the stinger used for?

- A. To eat food.
- B. To defend against enemies.
- C. Both A and B.
- D. None of the above.

5) Where do bees live?

- A. North America
- B. Asia
- C. Antarctica
- D. Both A and B

Vocabulary:

1) Bees are **special**. This means...

- A. bees are normal.
- B. bees are regular.
- C. bees are unusual.
- D. bees are average.



2) Bees can **fly**. This means...

- A. bees can move through the air.
- B. bees can dig in the ground.
- C. bees can see very far.
- D. bees can swim through the water.

3) What is the opposite of **defend**?

- A. Run
- B. Hide
- C. Protect
- D. Attack

4) What is a **continent**?

- A. A large piece of connected land.
- B. A large river.
- C. A small part of the ocean.
- D. A swamp.

5) If you **bother** something, you...

- A. make it angry.
- B. make it get upset.
- C. make it mad.
- D. All of the above.