

# National Geographic Readers: Bees: A Honey of a Story

## Meet the Busy Bees

Bees are busy creatures. They spend their days flying from flower to flower, collecting nectar and pollen. Nectar is a sweet liquid that flowers produce to attract pollinators. Pollen is a powdery substance that contains the male reproductive cells of flowers. Bees use nectar to make honey, which is their food. They use pollen to feed their young.

Bees live in colonies. A colony is a group of bees that live together in a hive. Hives are made of wax, which bees produce from their abdomens. Each colony has one queen bee, several hundred male drones, and thousands of female worker bees. The queen bee is the only female bee that can lay eggs. The drones are responsible for mating with the queen. The worker bees are responsible for all of the other tasks that need to be done to keep the colony running, such as collecting food, building the hive, and taking care of the young.



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## **The Importance of Bees**

Bees are essential to our ecosystem. They pollinate plants, which helps them to produce fruit and vegetables. Without bees, we would not have many of the foods that we eat. Bees also produce honey, which is a delicious and nutritious food. Honey is also used in a variety of products, such as cosmetics and medicines.

Bees are facing a number of threats, including habitat loss, climate change, and pesticides. We need to take action to protect these important insects. We can plant flowers that attract bees, avoid using pesticides, and support beekeepers.

## **National Geographic Readers: Bees**

National Geographic Readers: Bees is a beautifully illustrated book that teaches children all about these fascinating insects. The book is full of amazing photographs and fun facts. It is a perfect book for children who are interested in learning more about nature.

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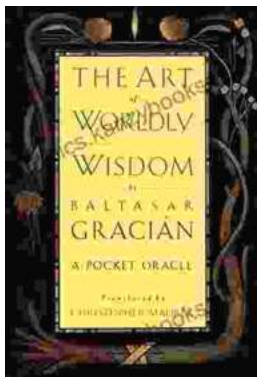
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