



Conservation Tales: Bees Guide Reading Questions

Teacher Version



Fill in the Blank

1. There are more than _____ species of bees in our state. **(400)**
2. Honey bees were not originally from America, they were brought over from _____.
(Europe)
3. Bees are dying because of parasites called _____. **(Varroa mites)**
4. One kind of bee that nests in the ground is the _____. **(Digger bee, bumble bee)**

Multiple Choice

1. Which kind of tools do bee researchers use?
A. Nets
B. Flashlights
C. Tractors
2. What are the harmful chemicals called that are killing bees?
A. Hairspray
B. Fertilizers
C. Insecticides
3. What can you plant to help bumble bees and mason bees survive?
A. Oranges
B. Native wildflowers
C. Pine trees

True/False

1. All bees live in large groups in a hive. **(False)**
2. Some bean and corn seeds are sold with pesticide on them. **(True)**
3. We can build or buy houses to help native bees. **(True)**

Higher level thinking questions

1. What parts of the story helped you learn something new?
2. Where have you seen bees in your neighborhood?
3. What are some ways that you can play a role in environmental conservation?