

## The Busy Bee

Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ■ Read It!

### Bella the Bee

Bella was a small yellow and black bee. She lived in a hive with her family. The hive was up in a big oak tree.

Every morning, Bella flew out to find flowers. She loved red flowers the most. She would land on a flower and drink its sweet juice.

Bella carried the juice back to the hive. Her family used it to make honey. The honey was thick and golden and very sweet. Bella was proud of the work she did.

### —■ Circle the Best Answer

#### 1. Where did Bella live?

- A) Under a rock
- B) In a hive in a big oak tree
- C) In the ground

#### 2. What color flowers did Bella love the most?

- A) Yellow
- B) Blue
- C) Red

#### 3. What did Bella carry back to the hive?

- A) Leaves
- B) Sweet juice from flowers
- C) Water

4. What did Bella's family make with the juice?

- A) Jam
- B) Honey
- C) Soup

■ ■ Write Your Answer

5. What colors is Bella?

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6. How did Bella feel about her work? Use a word from the story.

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■ Think About It!

7. Draw your favourite part of the story. Then write one sentence about it.

*My sentence:*

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Score: \_\_\_\_\_ / 7    **You did it!** ■

## Answer Key

The Busy Bee — Grade 1 Reading Comprehension

**For the tutor/teacher:** Questions 1–4 have one correct answer. Questions 5–6 are short answer — accept any reasonable response showing understanding of the text. Question 7 is open-ended (drawing + sentence).

### —■ Multiple Choice Answers

#### 1. Where did Bella live?

- ✓ B) In a hive in a big oak tree

*Evidence: Paragraph 1: "She lived in a hive with her family. The hive was up in a big oak tree."*

#### 2. What color flowers did Bella love the most?

- ✓ C) Red

*Evidence: Paragraph 2: "She loved red flowers the most."*

#### 3. What did Bella carry back to the hive?

- ✓ B) Sweet juice from flowers

*Evidence: Paragraph 2–3: "She would land on a flower and drink its sweet juice. Bella carried the juice back to the hive."*

#### 4. What did Bella's family make with the juice?

- ✓ B) Honey

*Evidence: Paragraph 3: "Her family used it to make honey."*

### ■ ■ Short Answer Answers

#### 5. What colors is Bella?

- ✓ Yellow and black.

*Evidence: Paragraph 1: "Bella was a small yellow and black bee."*

#### 6. How did Bella feel about her work?

- ✓ "Proud" — Bella was proud of the work she did.

*Evidence: Paragraph 3: "Bella was proud of the work she did."*

### ■ Open-Ended (Question 7)

#### 7. Drawing + sentence.

Accept any drawing that connects to the story (Bella flying to flowers, Bella in the hive, the honey being made).  
The sentence should relate to the drawing. Look for a capital letter and a period.

| <b>Scoring Guide</b> |                 |                            |
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| <b>Questions 1–4</b> | 1 pt each       | 4 pts total                |
| <b>Questions 5–6</b> | 1 pt each       | 2 pts total                |
| <b>Question 7</b>    | 1 pt            | Drawing + sentence attempt |
| <b>Total</b>         | <b>7 points</b> |                            |