

# Learning Experiences

## Cognitive Development

The development of problem solving and thinking skills,  
which help children to explore and understand the world around them.



### Bizzy Buzzy Bee



The story of Bizzy Buzzy Bee has some interesting information about the life cycle of bees.

As a class research both bees and butterflies. Create a chart that lists the similarities and differences between them.

Bizzy Buzzy Bee tells us that she collects nectar and pollen from the plants and flowers she lands on. Bees play a very important role in the pollination and germination process of plants and crops.

As a class plant some flowers to attract and promote this process. Keep a log of the progress of the flowers and visits from the bees.

Have the children draw and design their own beehives.

Or, make a paper mache version of a beehive out of recycled products, or clay, etc.

Enjoy a cooking experience with the children using honey as one of the ingredients!

Honey Joys! Honey Chicken!  
Contact a local honey supplier to source unprocessed honey, if possible.

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## Language Development

The development of language and communication skills. Essential for interacting with and understanding others, including speech, body language, signs and symbols.



### Bizzy Buzzy Bee



**In Bizzy Buzzy Bee's story, there are many rhyming words.**

**Ask the children to listen for the words that rhyme in the story. Make a list of the words they identify.**

**Play or read the story again and ask the children to clap each time they hear a rhyming word.**

**There is alliteration in the story with the words Bizzy Buzzy Bee. Explain to the children what alliteration means.**

**As a class group think of some more examples and even some tongue twisters.**

**Eg. Bizzy Buzzy Bee blew blue bubbles beautifully.**

**Ask the children to listen for 'B' words as you read Bizzy Buzzy Bee's story. Create a class chart of 'B' words identified.**

**Ask the children to think of any other words that begin with the letter 'B' to add to the chart.**

**Create bee finger puppets. Learn Bizzy Buzzy Bee's song and use the finger puppets to put on a performance.**

**The song could be sung by the class group to friends in the centre or to families.**

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## Physical Development

The development of fine and gross motor skills allow children to use and control their bodies to complete tasks and activities.



### Bizzy Buzzy Bee



**Bizzy Buzzy Bee is very busy flying here and there, pollinating flowers and collecting nectar for honey.**

**Have the children pretend to be Bizzy Buzzy Bees and fly around their outside play space, waving their arms and moving from place to place.**

**Bizzy Buzzy Bee communicates using the Waggle Dance.**

**Have the children choreograph their own Waggle Dance.**

**Bees are very small creatures with distinct yellow and black stripes.**

**Create a collage of a bee using a variety of materials that require the children to use their fine motor skills.**

**Play a game of throw the bee (bean bags) into the beehive (a bucket).**

**If you do not have access to bean bags, create your own mini bees using balloons filled with a little water to add weight.**

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## Social & Emotional Development

The development of social and emotional skills required to form; and sustain positive relationships and manage and express emotions. Children start to understand who they are, what they are feeling, and how to interact with others.



### Bizzy Buzzy Bee



**A bee family is very large. Thousands of bees live in one colony. For example, a colony would have one queen bee, hundreds of male bees, and over 20,000 female worker bees!**

**Have the children draw a picture of their family. Ask the children to tell the class about their picture and the family and friends that they live with.**

**Bizzy Buzzy Bee talks about how hard she works.**

**Discuss with the children the jobs/roles of the people around them, including their family members.**

**Create a list of all these different jobs.**

**Bizzy Buzzy Bee enjoys spending time with her friends.**

**As a group, discuss the fun things the children like to do with their friends. Also, what it means to be a good friend.**

**The Imagineland kids look happy in the story as they enjoy being outside in the garden with nature.**

**Discuss different locations that make people/children feel happy.**

**If able, plan an excursion to a botanical or community garden.**