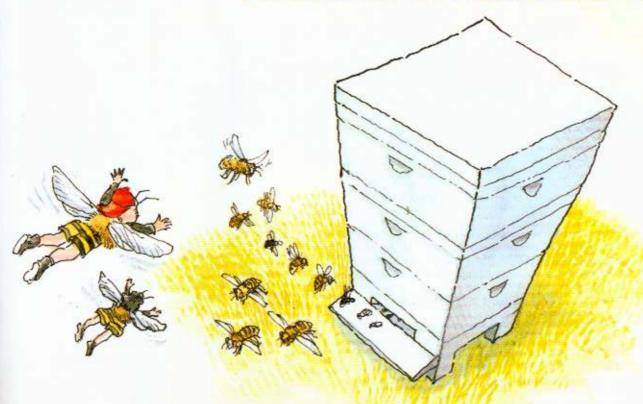




The Sis School Bus

Inside a Beehive



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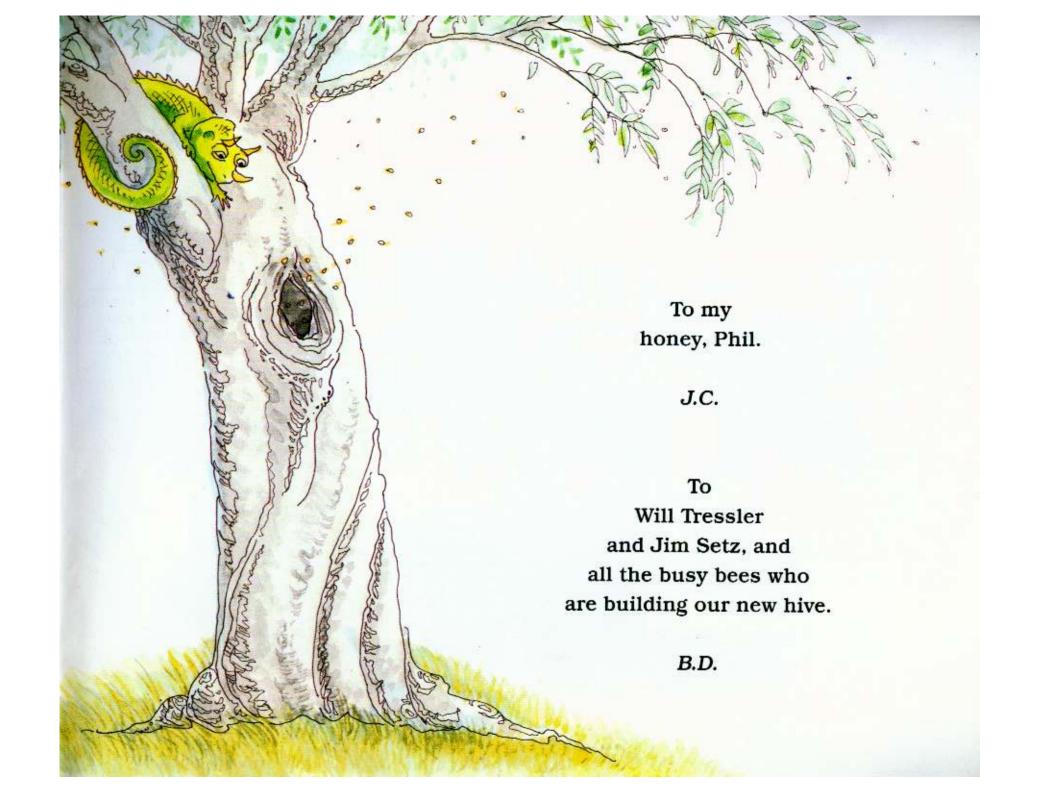
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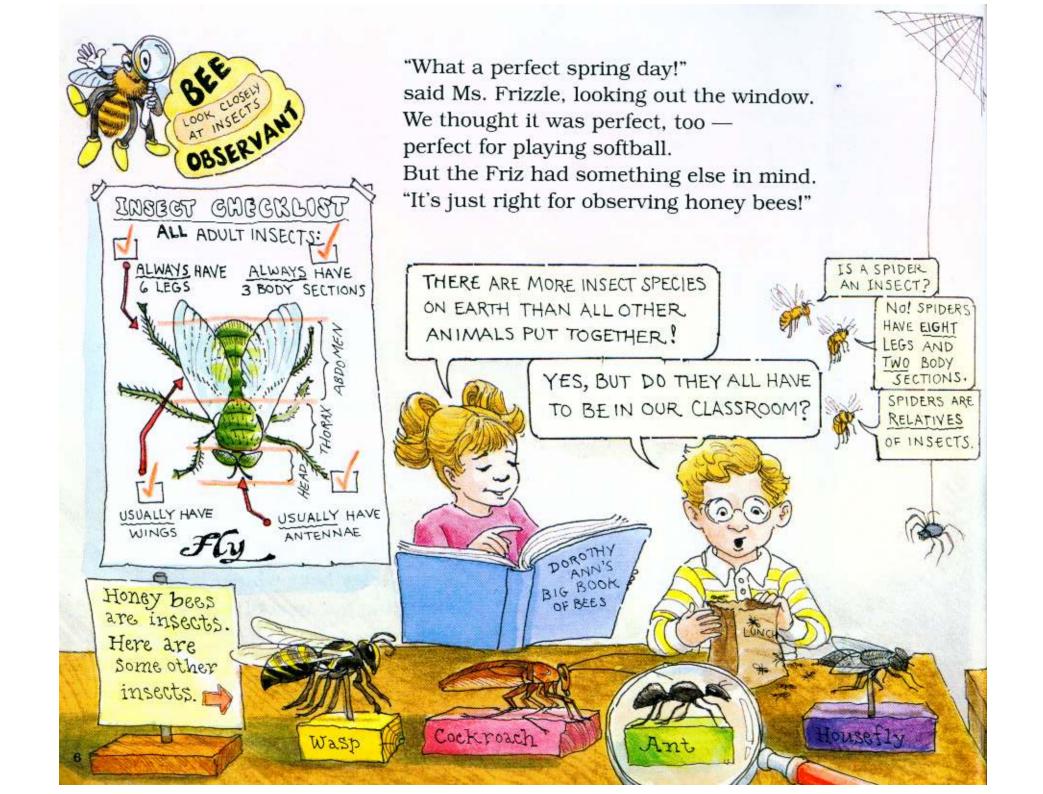
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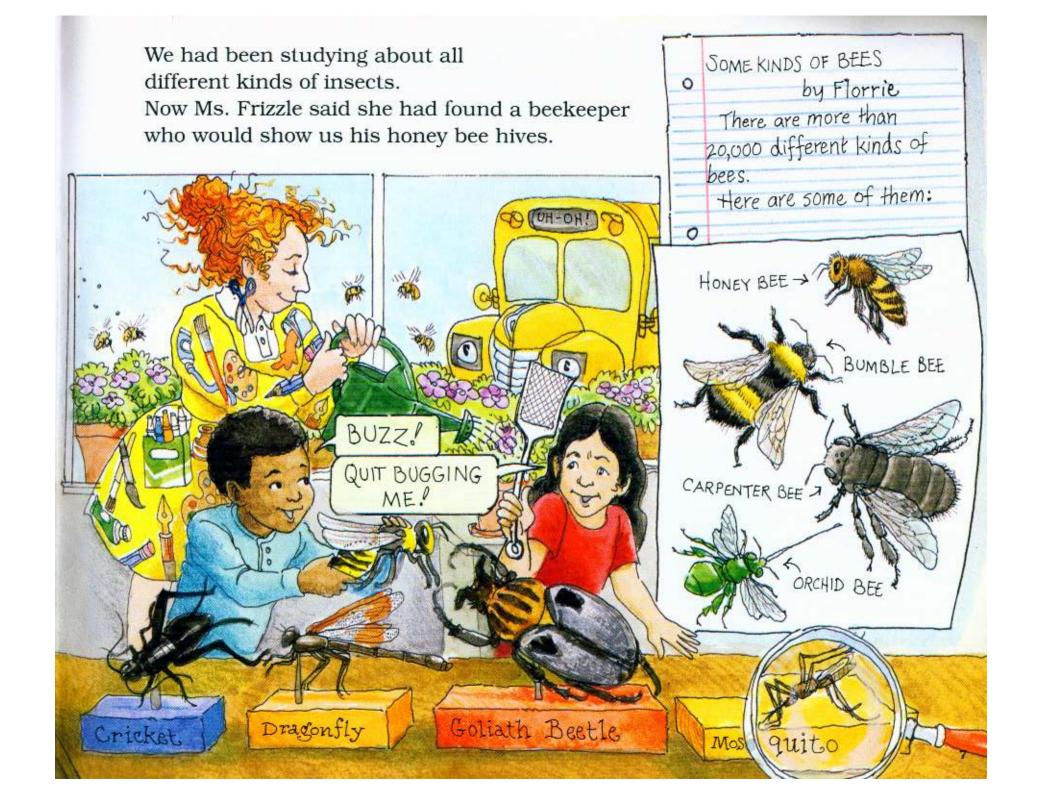
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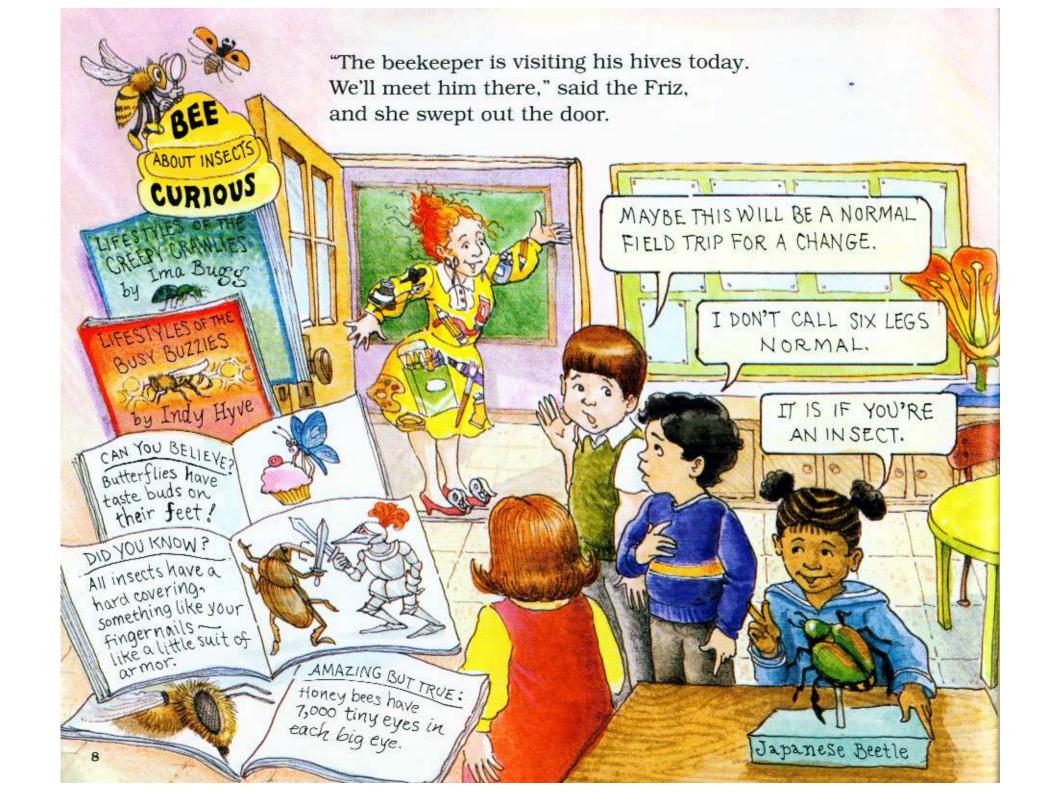
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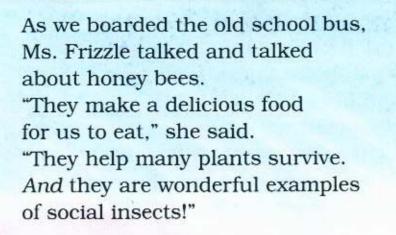
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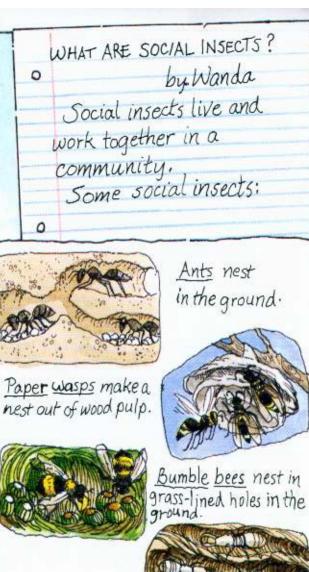






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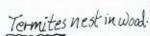
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ARNOLD? ... I'M NOT THE KIND OF PERSON WHO HAS A FAVORITE INSECT.

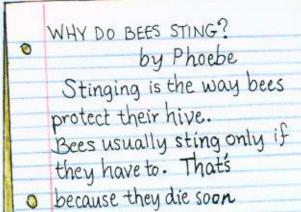
BEES ARE MY

FAVORITE INSECTS.





A WORD FROM DOROTHY ANN Social comes from a word that means "friend" or "partner."



after they sting.

L'LL STING, BUT ONLY FOR A GOOD CAUSE...

SAVING THE HIVE.



Honey bees have barbs or hooks, on the end of their stingers.

STINGER BARR

When a honey bee stings, her stinger gets stuck in the victim's skin. The stinger is pulled out of the bee's body, and the bee dies.

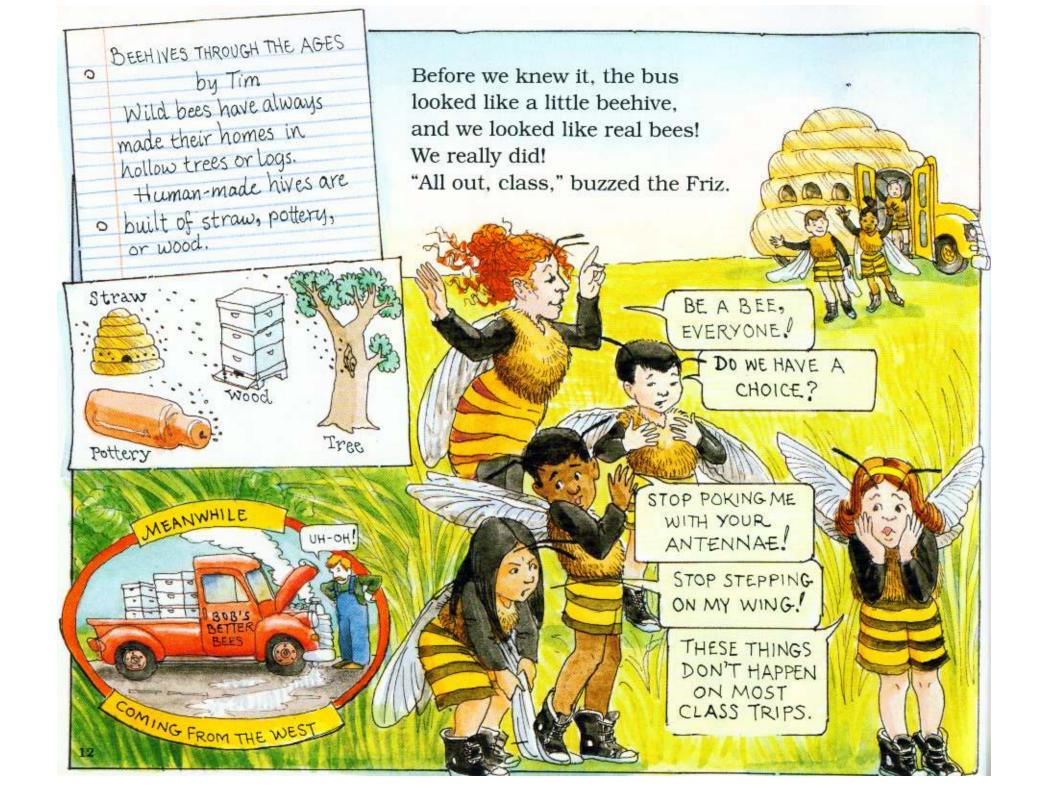
Ms. Frizzle drove out into the country and parked the bus next to the hives. The beekeeper was late, so Frizzie took out a picnic basket. "Some light refreshments will pass the time while we wait," she said. Sometimes, our teacher has good ideas!

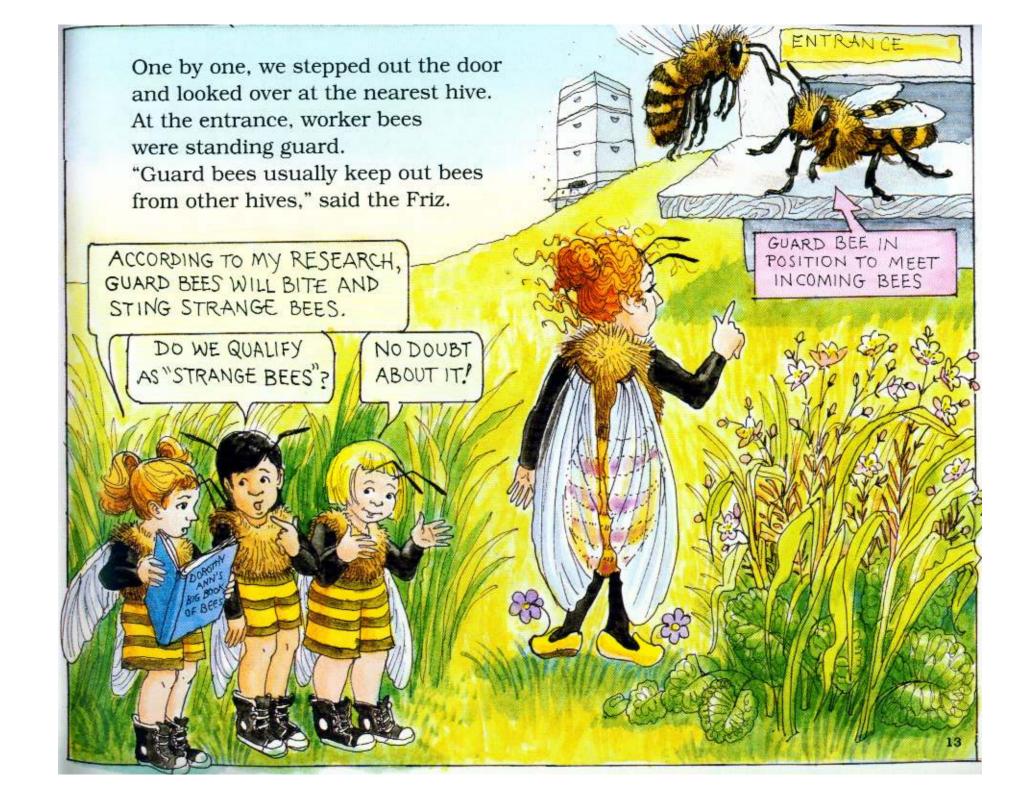
BEES USUALLY WILL NOT STING, UNLESS YOU TOUCH THEM, ANNOY THEM, OR GET TOO CLOSE TO THEIR HIVE.

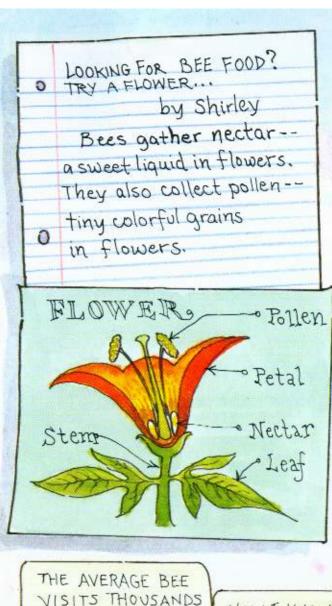
MAY WE CLOSE THE WINDOWS, PLEASE?











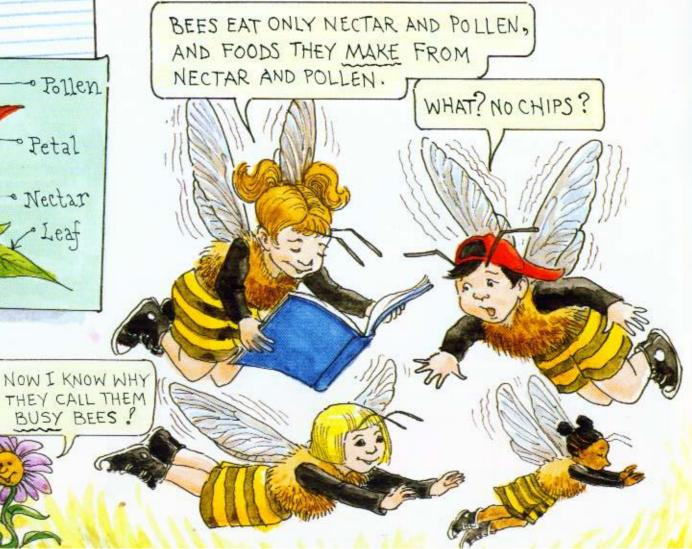
OF FLOWERS

EVERY DAY.

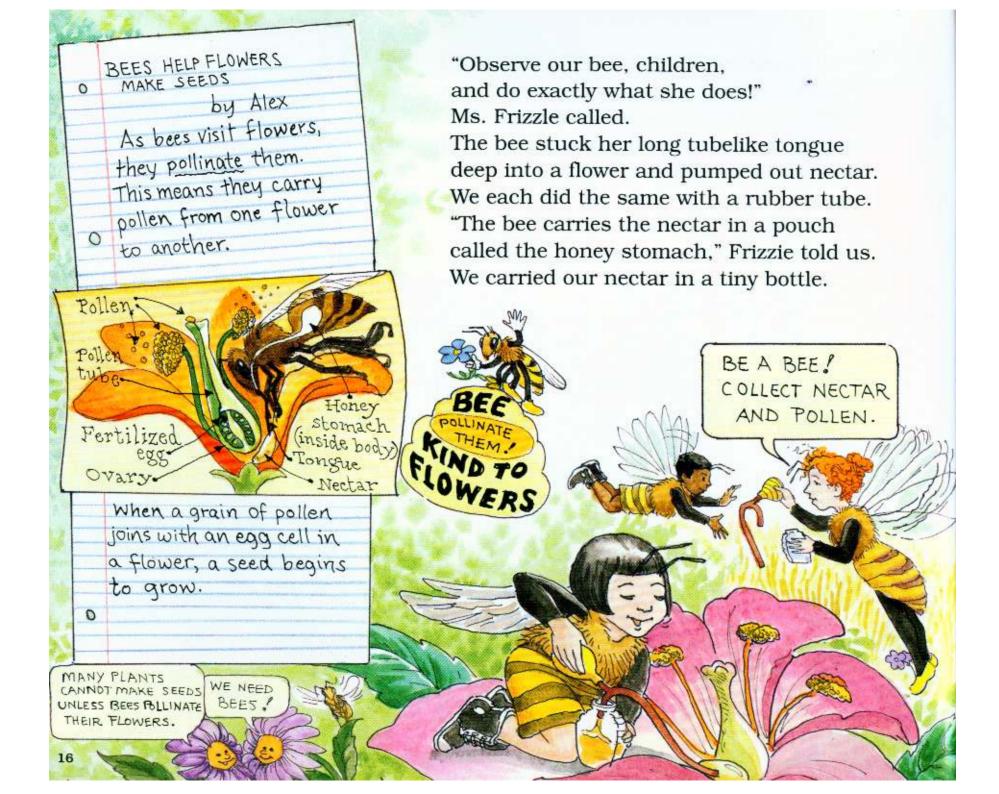
"There is *one* time when guard bees may let in a strange bee," said Ms. Frizzle.

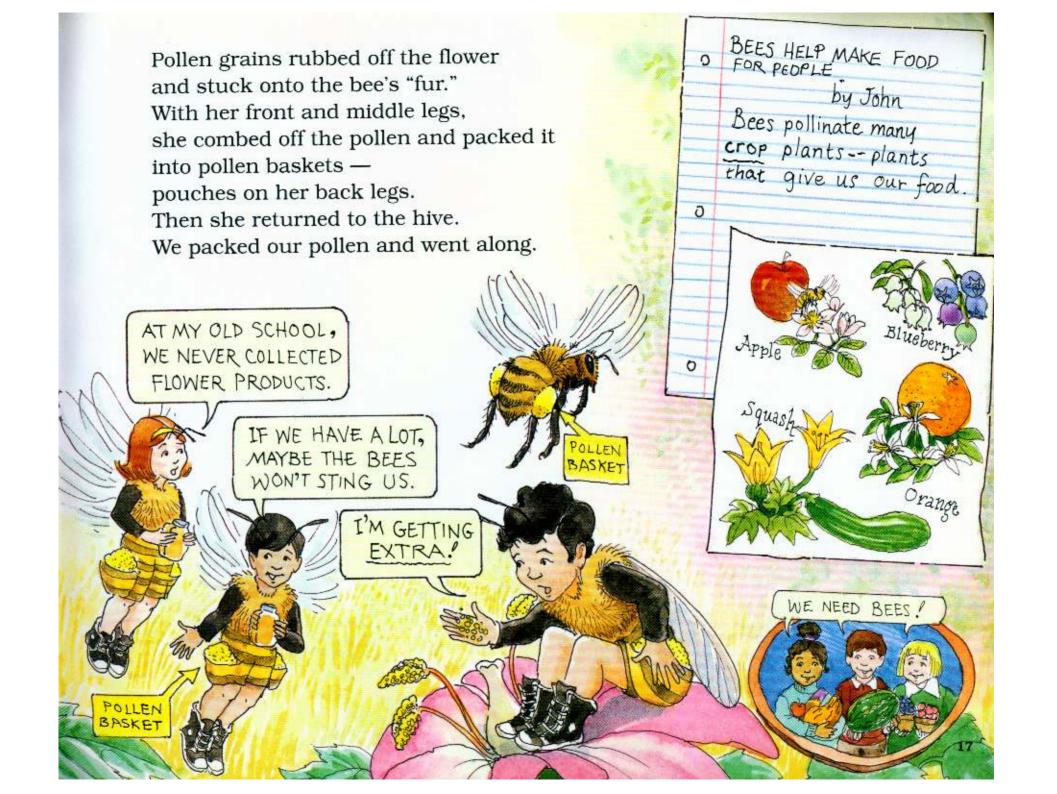
"Sometimes a hive may 'adopt' a lost bee — if it is carrying a lot of bee food.

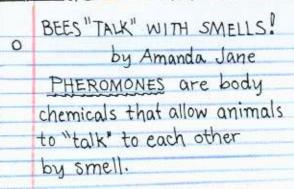
All bee food comes from flowers.













With pheromones, bees send each other many messages. Here are some of them:

- 9 "I'm a hive-mate."
 - "I'm a stranger."
 - "I'm a worker."
 - "I'm the queen bee!"
 - "Danger! Danger!"

"Defend the hive!"

Bees don't talk in words, but they do communicate.

One by one, we landed at the hive.

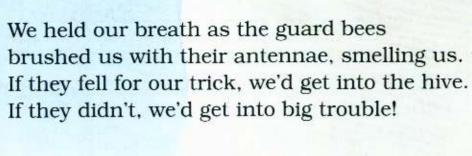
The Friz sprayed us with a bee pheromone — a chemical that bees make.

Now we smelled like bees.

Then came the scary part.

AS 60,000 BEES IN ONE HIVE, CLASS.





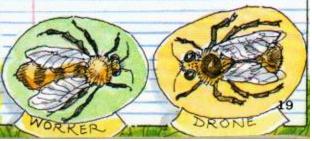


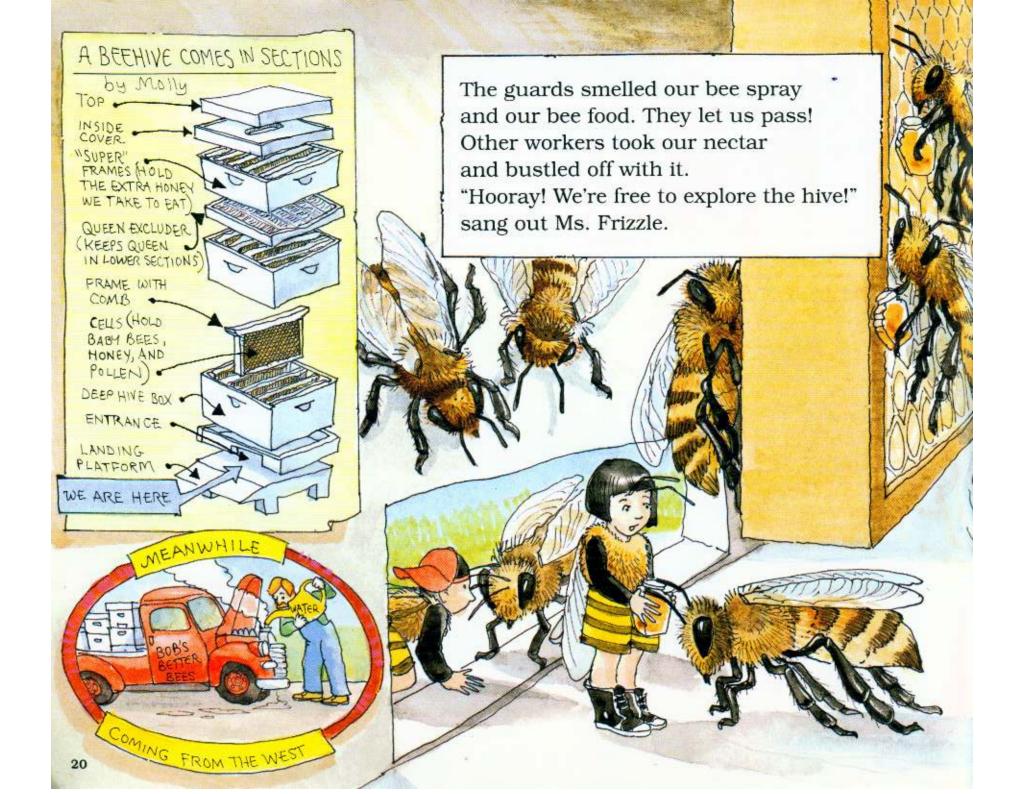
WHO'S WHO IN THE HIVE? by Michael In a honey bee colony, there are three castes, or kinds, of bees: 1. The QUEEN: Her job is o to lay eggs, eggs, and more eggs.

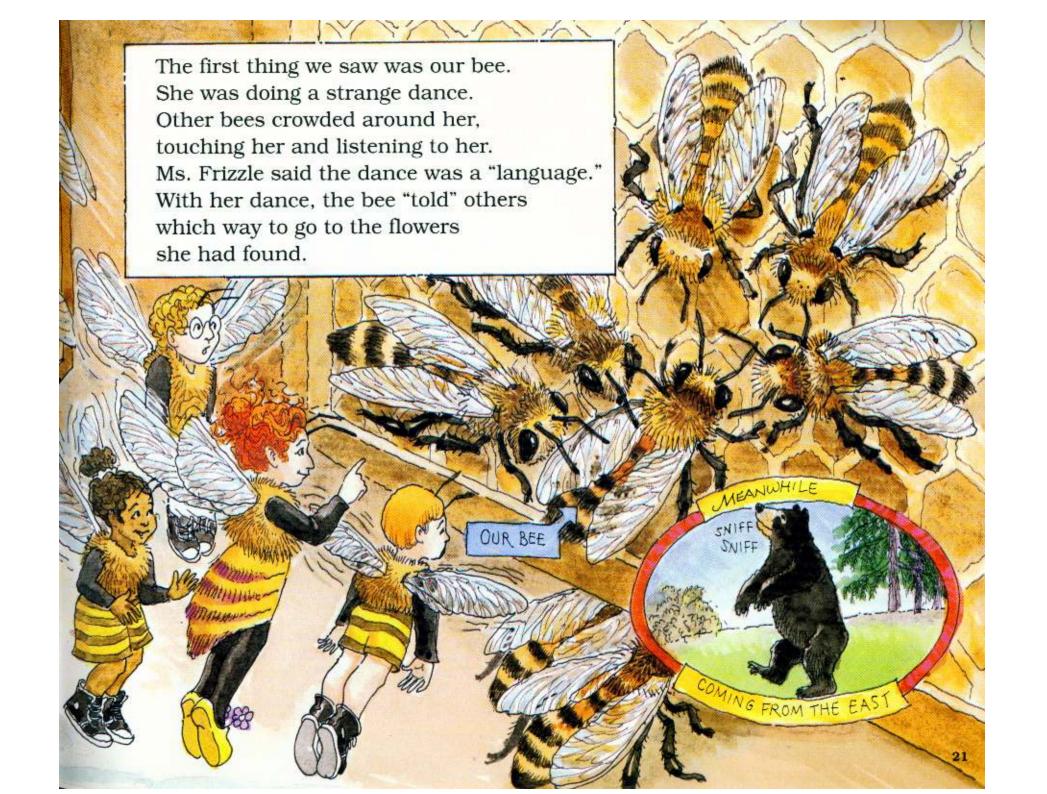


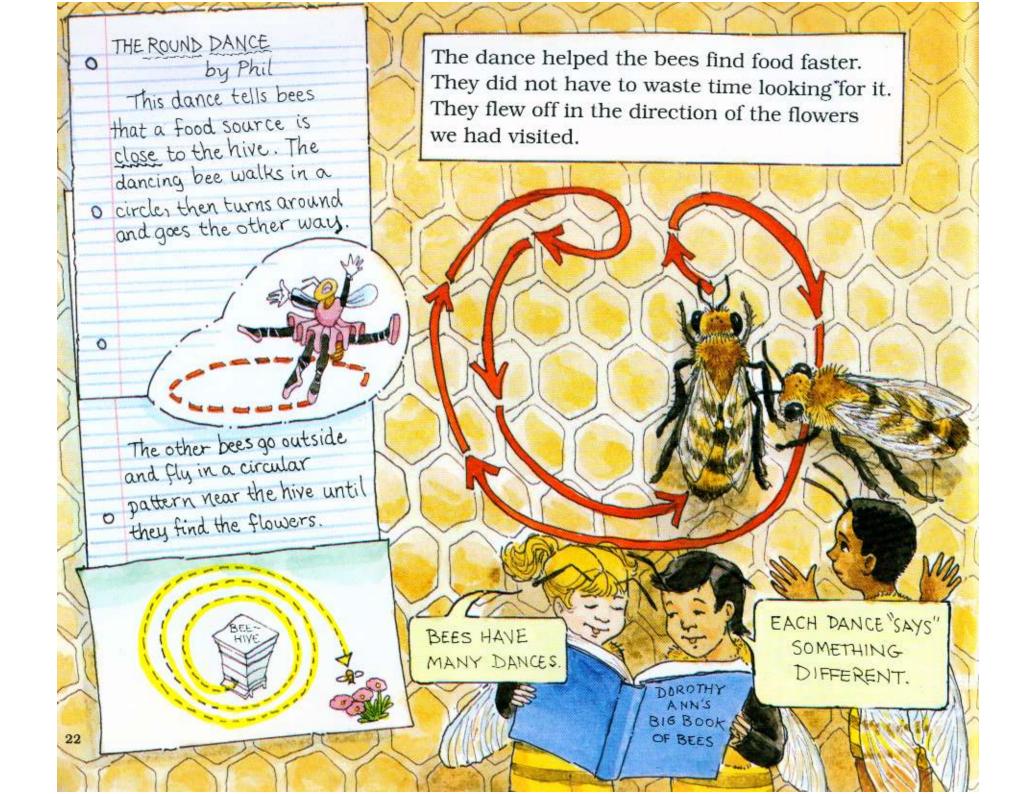
2. The WORKERS: They are all female bees that usually do not lay eggs. Workers do almost all the jobs in the hive.

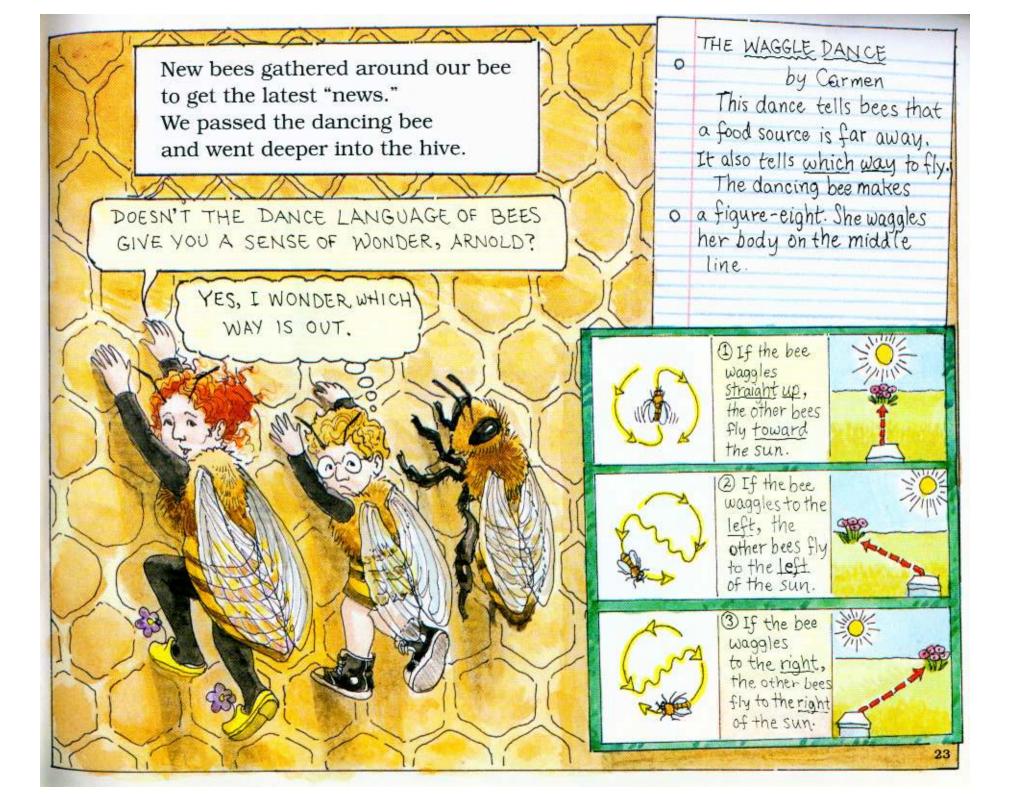
3. The DRONES are all male bees. A male bee's only job is to mate with a queen.

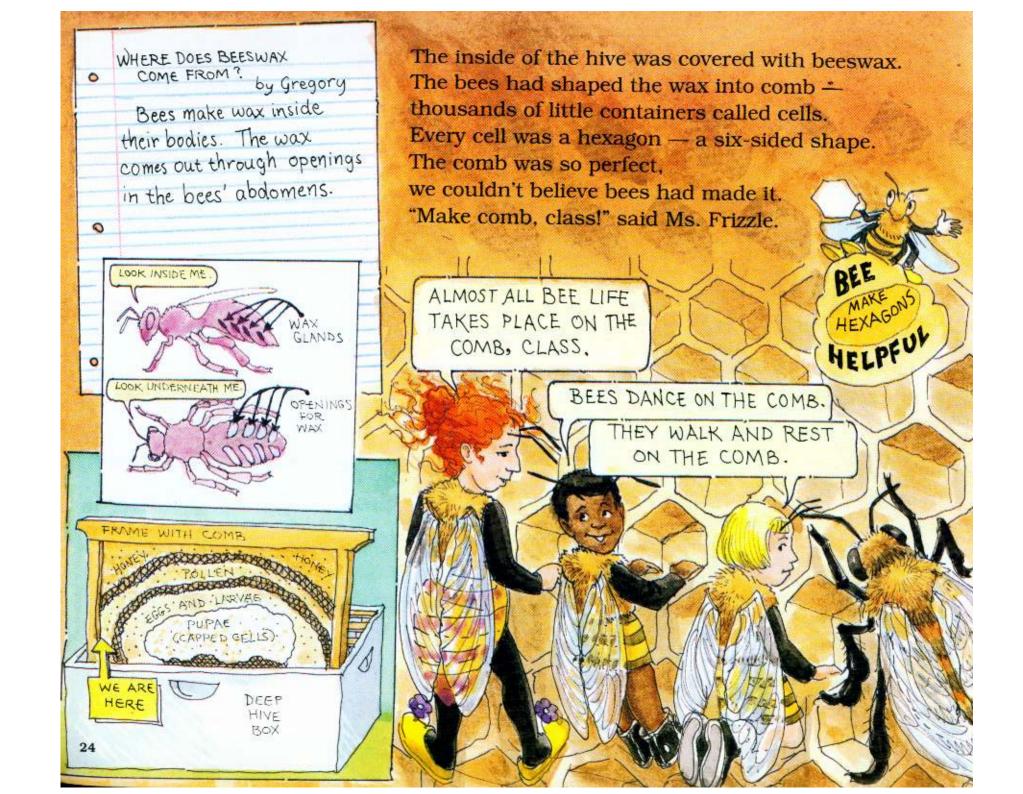


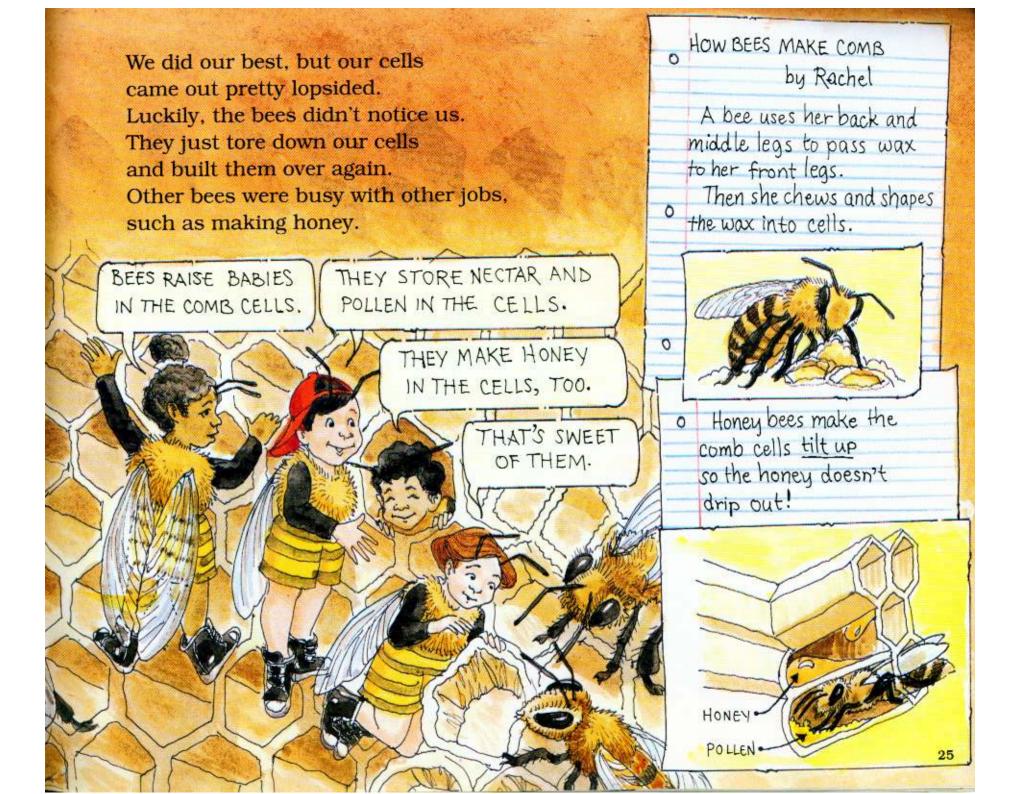


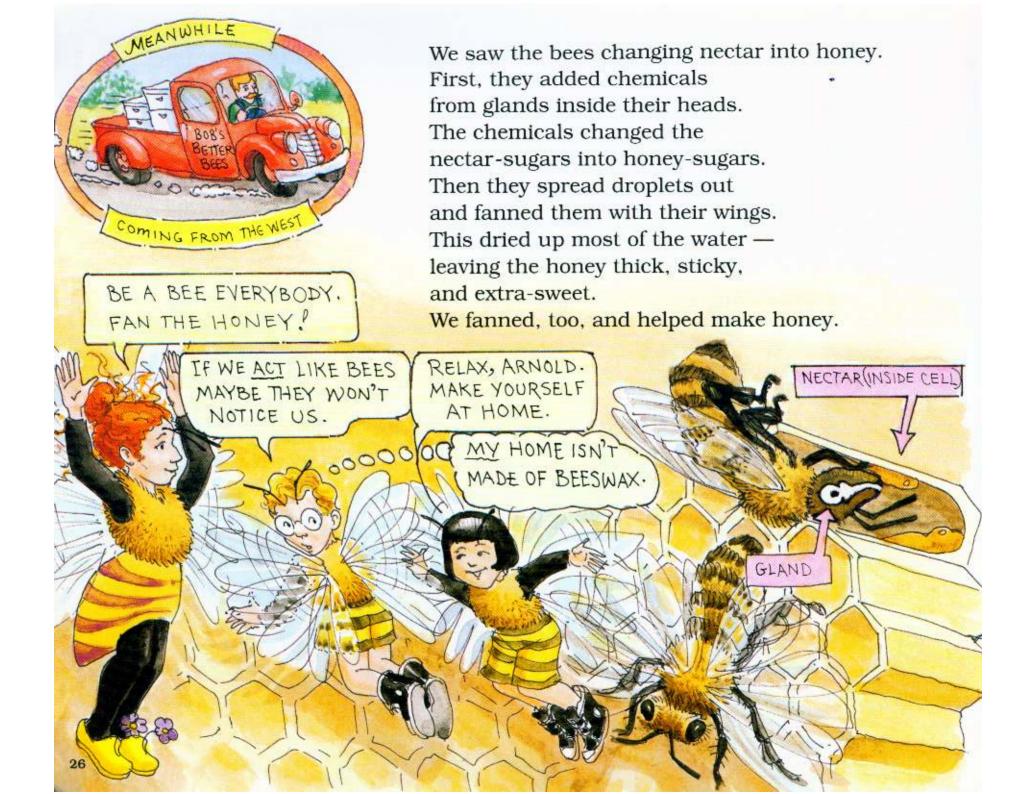








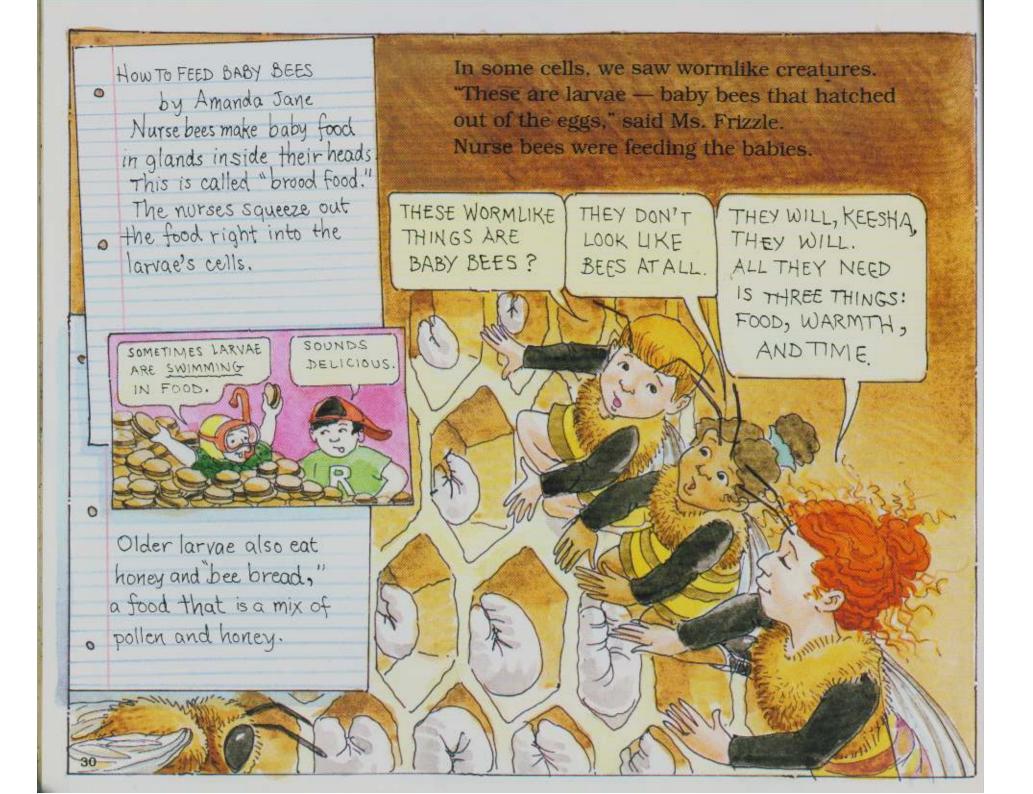














O WHY DOES A LARVA EAT A LOT?

SO THE PUPA CAN CHANGE A LOT!

by Arnold

Pupae do not eat. So where

do they get the energy to grow

the parts of adult bees?

They use the fat and

tissue they stored up when

they were larvae.



ANOTHER WORD FROM
DOROTHY ANN

Metamorphosis comes from
aword that means
"Change."

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"When it is big enough, the larva stops eating," said the Friz. "It spins a silk cocoon around itself. Now it is called a pupa.

The nurse bees put a wax top on the cell.

Inside, the pupa doesn't eat or grow bigger.

It changes into an adult bee.

This is called metamorphosis.







Ms. Frizzle led the way to the queen cells.
Two new queens emerged at the same time.

After they had dried out, they had a terrible fight. One queen stung the other queen to death!

Then she killed the other queen pupae in their cells. Now she was the new queen.

TWO QUEENS? I THOUGHT ...



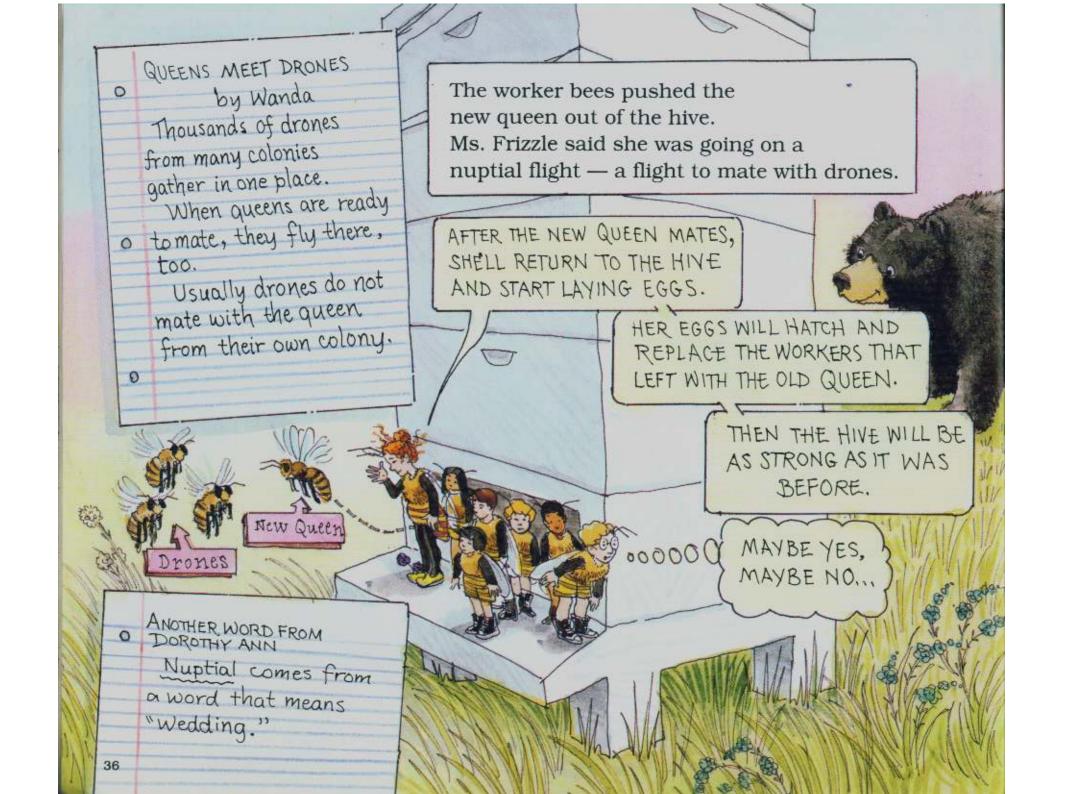
A QUEEN BEE CAN STING
MANY TIMES by Arnold
Unlike worker bees, which
can sting only once, the
queen bee can pull her
stinger out of the victim
and sting again.



ONE QUEEN IN A HIVE.

YOU WERE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT.

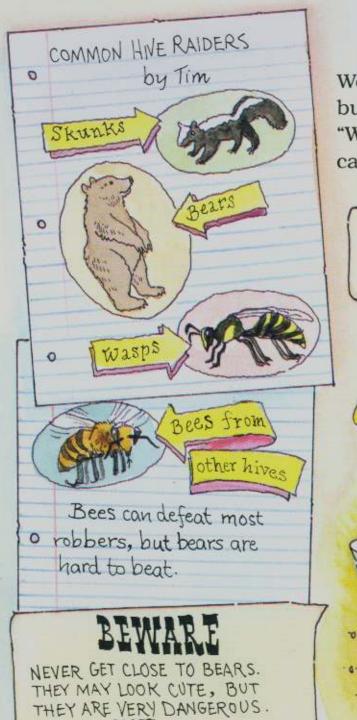
THE STRONGER QUEEN SURVIVES TO PASS ON HER STRENGTH TO HER CHILDREN.



After the new queen left,
we heard heavy footsteps.
It was a bear, trying to steal the honey
and the bee larvae!
The workers flew out and tried to sting the bear,
but its thick fur protected its body.

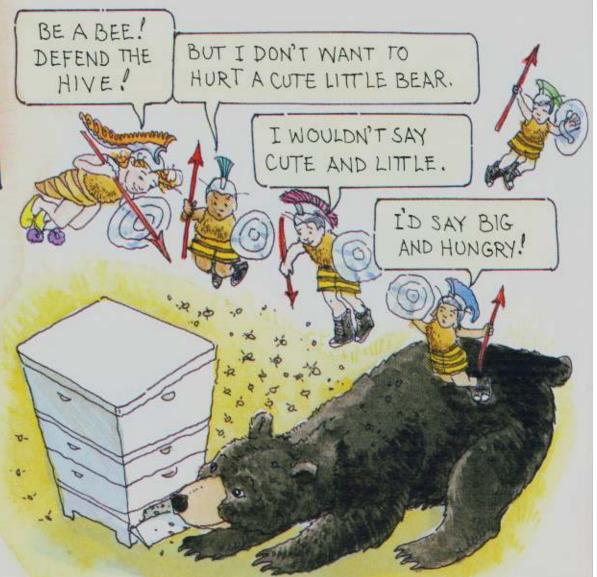






We flew out and dived at the bear, but it kept coming at the hive.

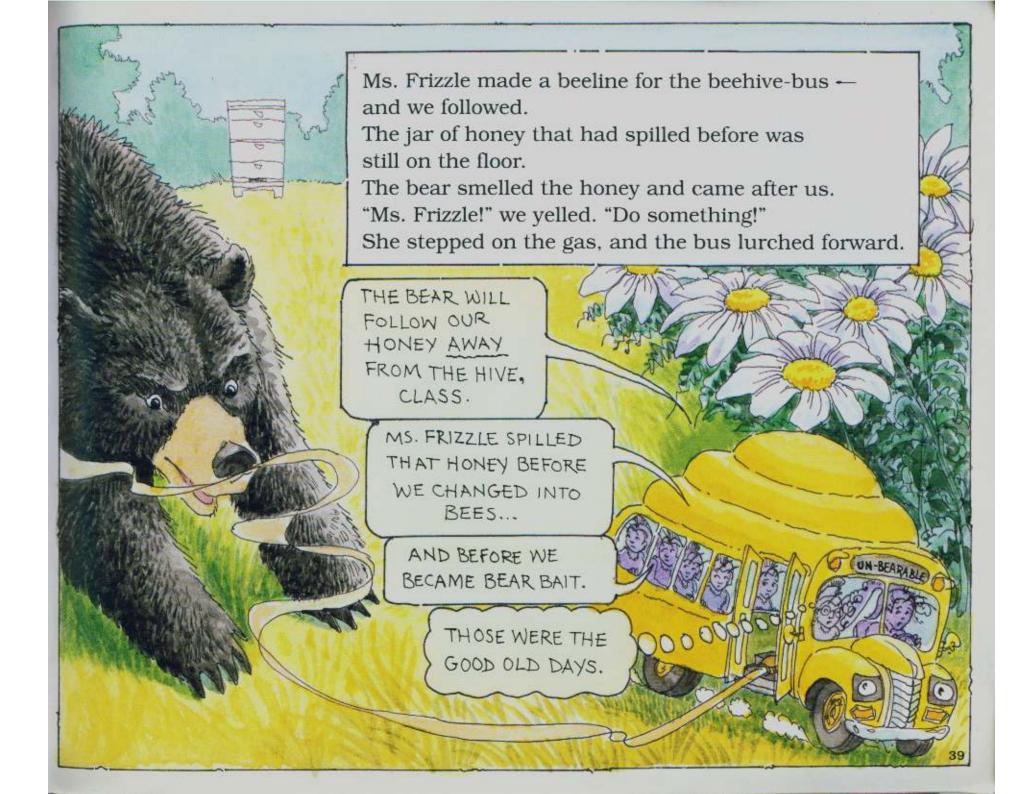
"We have to use strategy, class," called the Friz. "We'll lure the bear away!"



BEE

PANYTHING

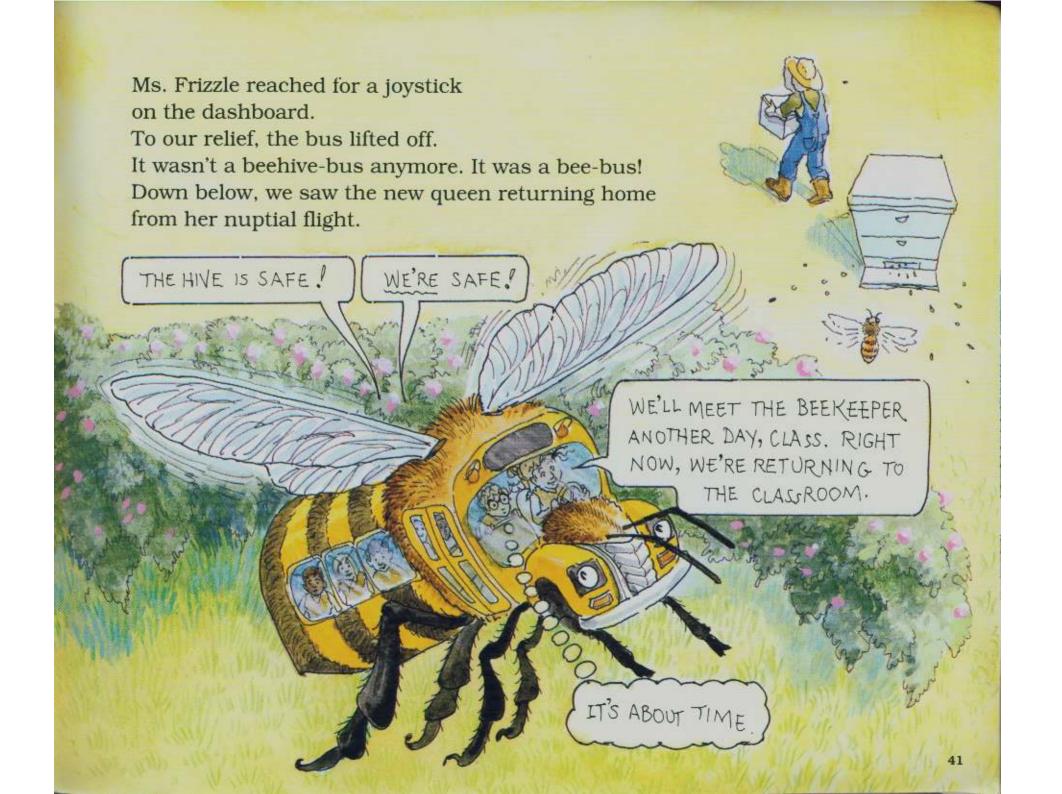
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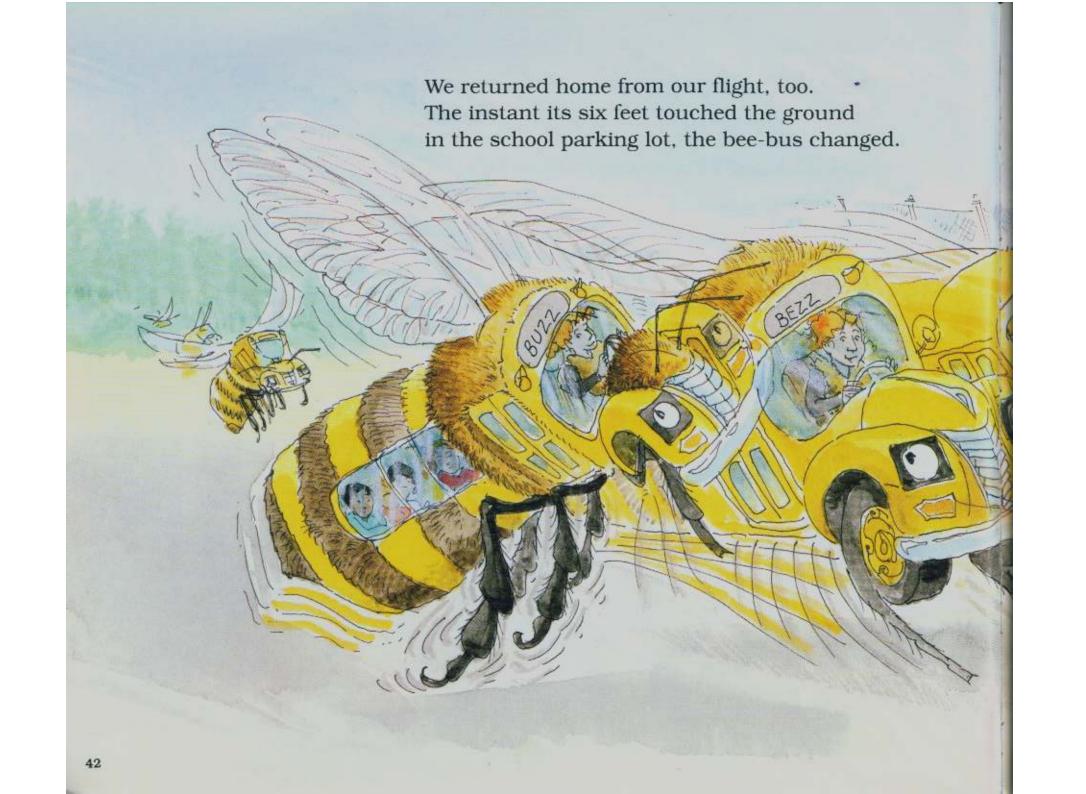


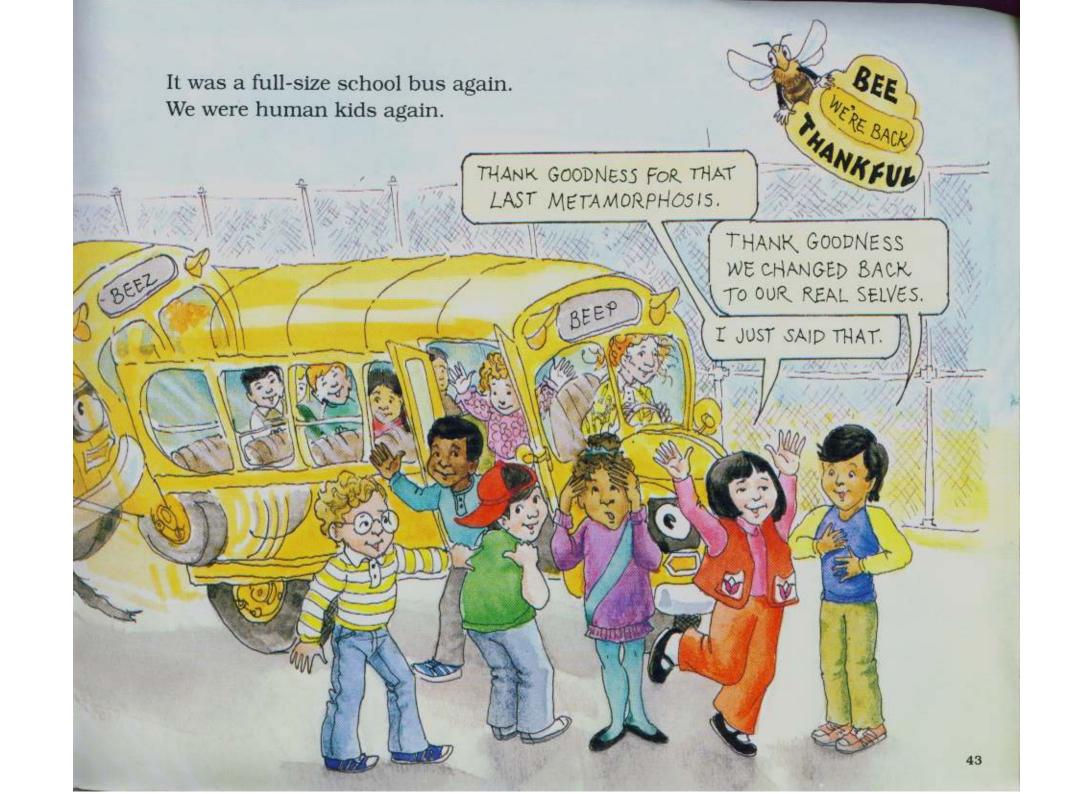


As we rounded a corner,
the honey jar rolled out the bus door.
As the jar fell, it returned to its normal size.
The bear started eating honey and forgot all about us.

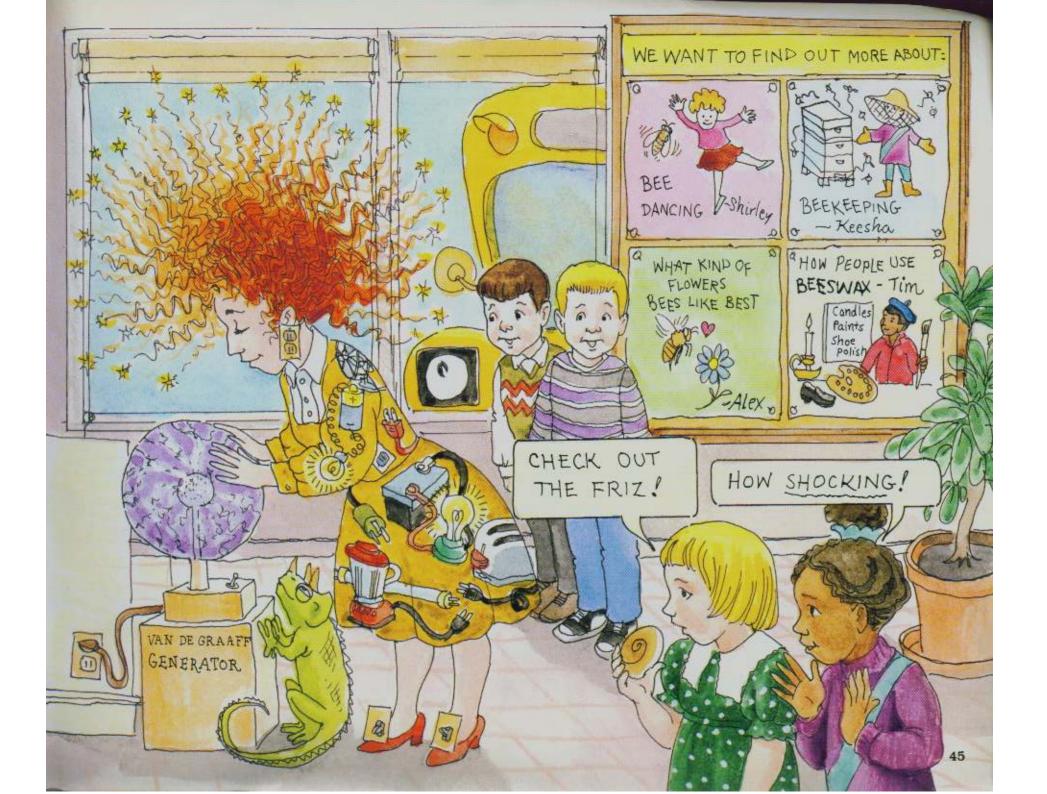




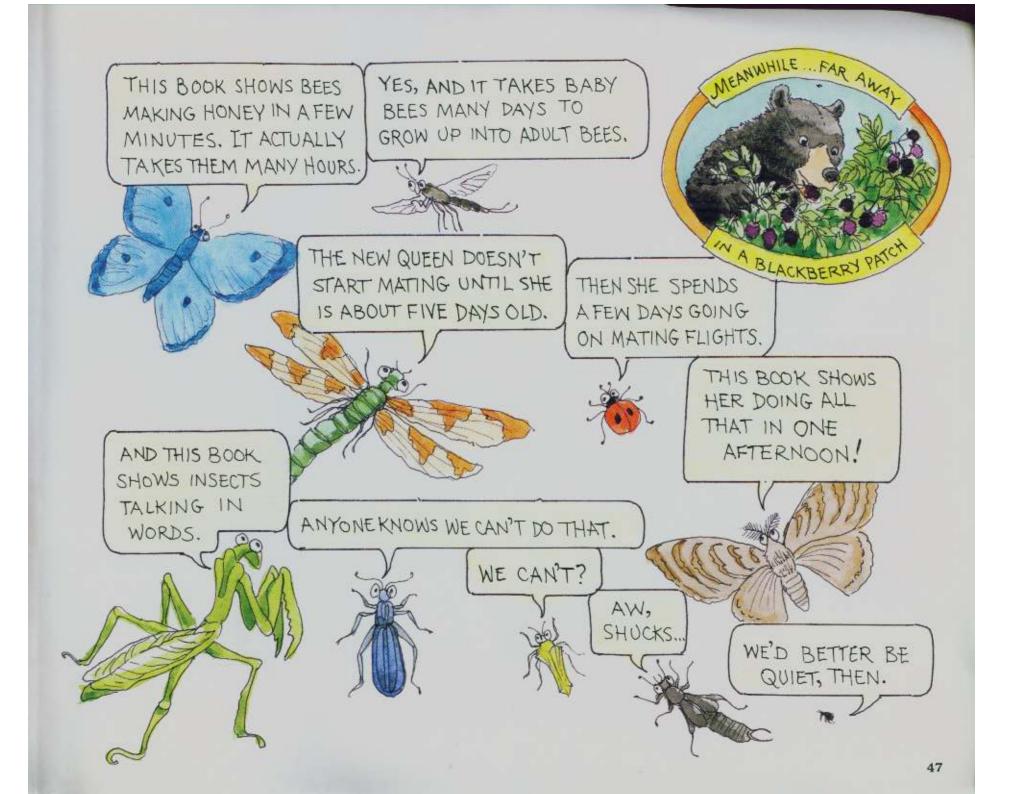












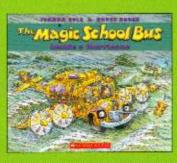


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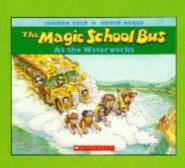
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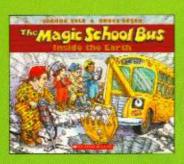
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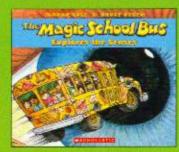




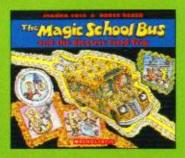


















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