

A close-up photograph of a bumblebee on a pink flower. The bee is black with yellow and orange stripes on its abdomen and thorax. It is positioned on the right side of the frame, facing left towards the flower. The flower is a vibrant pink color with many small, pointed petals. The background is a soft, out-of-focus brownish-yellow.

The Honey-comb Cellar Club

Sista you betta get some dance steps
You gotta waggle that tail, stamp ya hairy legs
Ya betta buzz, ya betta fling, shake ya sting
At the pollen sweet as honey in the flower ding-a-ling.
Cos we'z the funky friskers, beez-rapping sistas
Stripy black and yella down the Honeycomb Cellar.
We birl with the buddleia, dally with the daisies
Pick up pollen, fly home to feed the babies.

Bee (bumbee, bummie)

Bees are gardeners' friends as they pollinate flowers.



Favourite Food

They eat nectar, pollen and when it is cold, honey.

Getting About



Bees have hairy legs that work like baskets for carrying pollen from flower to flower – can you see them? When a bee finds a new source of food it returns to the nest and does a special dance to tell the other bees where to find it.

Keeping Safe

Bees have stings for when they are attacked. Make sure it's not frightened of you or you may get stung.



Sounds

Listen to busy, buzzing bees in the garden. Can you make this noise?

Try This

The bee dance. Put a cardboard box on the grass for your hive and find some flowers for nectar. Make up a little dance pattern to tell your friends and family where to find the nectar. If the flowers are near the hive dance in circles. If the flowers are far away waggle your tail in their direction.

