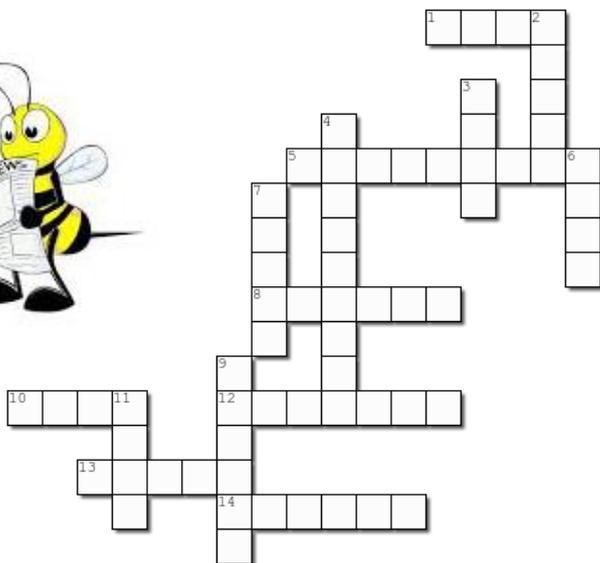




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Complete the crossword puzzle below



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Across

1. What a Queen bee lays
5. The wax matrix that bees call home
8. Sugar solution collected from flowers
10. What cover the top of a wooden bee hive
12. What shape is a honeycomb cell?
13. The part of the hive where the honey is stored
14. A place where bee hives are kept

Down

2. The visible part of colony division
3. How many times can a honeybee sting?
4. Special hairs on bee legs used to carry pollen
6. The noise make when they beat their wings
7. The sharp thing at the end of the bee
9. The middle part of a bees body
11. How many wings on a honeybee?

Poem Competition

Can you write a poem about bees?

It can be a about honeybees, Bumblebees or Solitary bees. Your poem can be about the environment or anything to do with their lives. It can be an epic Viking saga or a haiku.

There will be a prize for the double best poem. Closing date midnight on 30th June 2020.

Email your entry to events@thebeefarmer.co.uk

The prize for the best poem is a visit to the Bee Farmer bees for winner and a friend or parent

It is swarming time of year **BUT** what is swarming?

Swarming is when the honeybees colony divides in two. The queen and the flying bees leave the hives, that's the swarm. They fly to a place near the hive maybe a hedge or tree. They stay there whilst to scout bees find a new home. The next day the bees take off again to move into their new home.

Back in the mother hive the bees have left behind a new developing queen, all the none flying bees, the brood (that's the developing bees), honey and pollen. So the colony carries on with the new queen when she emerges.

A swarm of bees in a hedge is quite a benign thing, by all means look but don't get too close or disturb them. Beekeeper will often capture a swarm in a hedge and give it a new home.



Did you know?

With swarms its finders keepers. In olden days if a person saw a swarm, they got a saucepan and a spoon (or other noise making tools) and followed the swarm banging the pan. The noise is supposed to make the swarm land (it doesn't) and alerts everyone to the noise makers dibs on the swarm.

You can download this and other worksheet from <https://thebeefarmer.co.uk/workshop>. The worksheet is provided free of charge. There is a link on the webpage where you can donate to help The Bee Farmer keeps his bees.

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