

Flitter, flutter, Happy hours Sipping nectar, Smelling flowers, Making honey Whilst it's sunny! Life's a breeze Among the trees, When you're bees!



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Teacher Notes and Activities - "Bee Happy"

The poem, "Bee Happy," talks about one of the vital cycles in nature. Bees play a vital part in nature. In their journeys around our gardens and through the bush, bees look for flowers and blossoms from which to gather pollen. Pollen is food for bees! However, in gathering the pollen, bees rub against the stamen and stigma of flowers and some of the pollen on the bee's body rubs off. This results in cross pollination.

For more about bees and what they do: https://honeybee.org.au/ education/wonderful-world-of-honey/

Activity: Draw a map showing one bee's path from the beehive to a garden full of flowers and back to the beehive.

Activity: Find and label the different parts of this flower - petals, stigma, stamen, pollen [the bee might give you a clue].

