

The Honeybee

READ ALOUD GUIDE

Themes: Nature, Poetry, Spring

Book Brief: Bzzz. What's that? Do you hear it? You're near it. It's closer, it's coming, it's buzzing, it's humming... A BEE!"

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BEFORE READING

The Cover: Have students make predictions about the story based on the cover.

The Pictures: Take a brief picture walk and ask students what they notice about the book.

Prior Knowledge: Ask students, "What does a honeybee do for our planet?"

Vocabulary: Frontload Tier 2 words using the accompanying [Vocabulary Guide](#).

Purpose for Reading: "As we read today, pay attention to how the bee helps our planet."

DURING READING

Check for understanding & make connections:

- Why do you think the bee went to the flower?
- Where do you think the bees are zooming to? Why?
- What are the bees doing to the nectar?

AFTER READING

Our Purpose: How does a bee help our planet? What do they do?

Extend Our Thinking: Using [RIF's Figurative Language Chart](#), have students identify and determine the meaning of figurative language in the poem.

If your students enjoyed this book...

- Encourage them to continue to discuss it and refer to it in other lessons and conversations.
- Let them explore more poems with the [Poetry Collection](#).