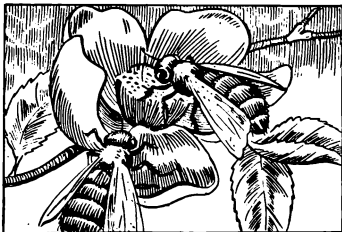


FOR THIRD GRADERS**THE BEE**

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THE BUSIEST creature I have seen,
So happy and so free,
Who hums and works the whole
day long,
Is the busy little bee.

Little bee, your ways have taught
me
How to spend the golden day,
And I'll try to be more like thee,
Working hard with time for
play.

A Lesson for a Good Reader

THE BEE is, indeed, a very busy little creature. And he is happy because he is busy. What is the work which he does all the day long? The bee's work is to gather nectar from the flowers. From this nectar he makes honey. The honey he stores away in a hollow tree or in a beehive.

It is very pleasant to hear the hum of the little bees as they go from flower to flower doing their

work.

Did you know that the bees have a queen? The worker bees will follow their queen wherever she goes. Sometimes bees will leave a beehive and follow their queen to another hive, where they will make a new home.

What can you and I learn from the bees? We can learn to be busy and happy. We can also learn to be thrifty.

Something to Find Out

Find out how the bee "hums." Does he do it with his voice? Or how *does* he do it?

How does the bee get nectar from the flowers? Watch and find out.

Also find out how the bee helps the flower.

How do the bees store the honey which they make?

Can you tell what honey-comb is?

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