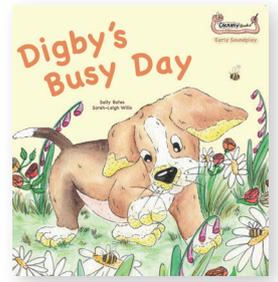


Busy bees

Activity instructions



1. Get busy making lots of flowers and bees - talk about the different colours, sizes, shapes and textures. Buzz while you're busy.
2. Children love hand painting flowers and thumb and finger painting bees.
3. Make a big flower and one big bee and contrast the size of these with lots of little flowers and bees.
4. Count flowers and bees and practise naming colours.
5. Stretch out the 'zzzz' sound at the end of bees and flowers to make it easier to hear.
6. Can the children buzz like bees?
7. Go for a listening walk and listen for bees buzzing - see the *Listening Walk* activity.

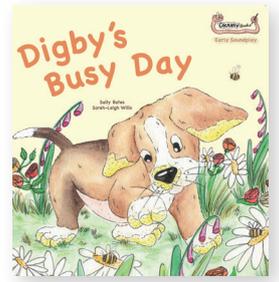
You will need:

A range of materials: paper, card, cardboard tubes, pipe cleaners etc. for the flowers, and bees.



Create a busy hanging display with flying bees.

Rhyme time - The bee hive



Here is the beehive
*(bend your fingers into the palm of
your hand)*

Demonstrate the
finger actions
and then practise
these with the
children.

Where are the bees?

Hidden away where
nobody sees.

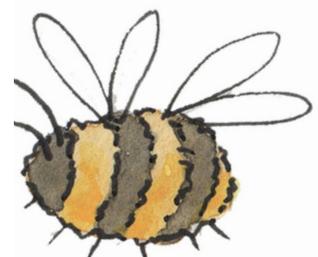
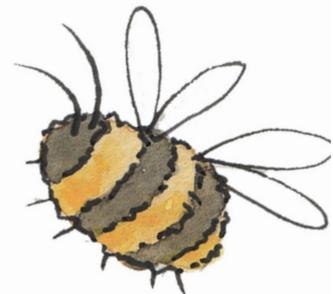
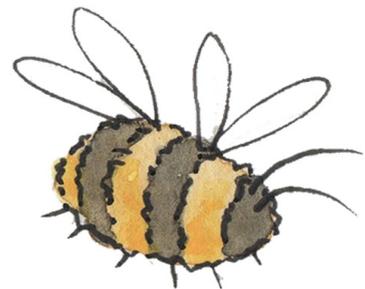
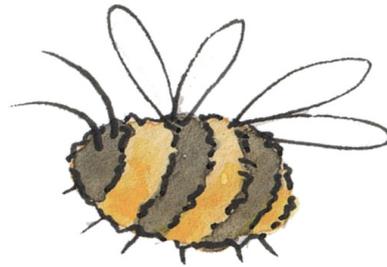
Watch and you'll see
them

Come out of the hive

1, 2, 3, 4, 5
(open your fingers one by one)

BUZZ-Z-Z-Z!
(flutter your fingers).

*Heads shoulders
knees and toes
is another ac-
tion rhyme full
of 'z' words.*



Cut out the Bees... *but be careful!*

