

Report Writing

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Most people like the honey that the bees work so hard to make.

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Language

Generalised participants - a class of things.

Describing verbs - is, are, have, has, belong to

Action verbs - collect, dance, fly, work

Demonstrative pronouns direct attention to the nouns

Timeless present tense.

Descriptive language that is FACTUAL rather than imaginative (bright yellow & orange) is used.

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Structure

Classification - open statement. Can be a rhetorical question.

Description

What it looks like?

Where it lives?

What it does?

Summarising Comment

Task: to unscramble the report on the Honey Bee

Learning Intention: to be able to reorder the report on the honey bee independently

Success Criteria:

Children will be able to locate the:

- Title
- Opening statement
- What it looks like
- Where it lives
- What it does
- Summarising comment.



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