



# Pollination Play!

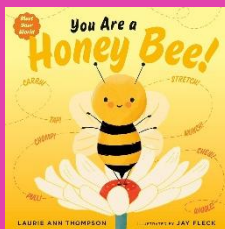
## with *You Are a Honey Bee!*



### Book

**Read:** *You Are a Honey Bee!*

**Author:** Thompson



### Activity

"Bees bring food back to the hive. Flowers help bees, and bees help flowers!"

#### Materials:

- Cotton balls or pom-poms (pollen)
- Paper flowers (drawn or printed) or real/silk flowers
- Yellow paint or chalk (optional)
- Paper plate or small bowl (the hive)

#### Directions:

The child uses their fingers or cotton ball as the "bee." Dip it lightly into yellow paint/chalk (this is the pollen). Touch one flower, then another.

After visiting flowers, place the cotton ball in the "hive" (plate or bowl).



### Caregiver Tips

**Before the activity, say:** "Bees visit flowers to collect pollen. When they move from flower to flower, the pollen spreads and helps flowers grow."

**After your child moves their finger, repeat:** "Bees spread pollen from flower to flower, helping plants grow."

**When placing the cotton ball in the hive, explain:** "Bees bring food back to the hive. Flowers help bees, and bees help flowers!"

### Video

#### How Do Bees Make Honey?



**Play:**



### Game

\*Download the **PBS KIDS Games App** to play offline.

### Extended

Have fun with this chant creating movement with each line!

**Leader:** Buzz, buzz, here I go!

**Kids:** Flower to flower, nice and slow!

**Leader:** Pick up pollen, soft and light!

**Kids:** Share it, spread it—help plants grow bright!

**Leader:** Back to the hive, job well done!

**Kids:** We all help—everyone!