

Think Like a Flower!

Understanding flower-bee mutualisms

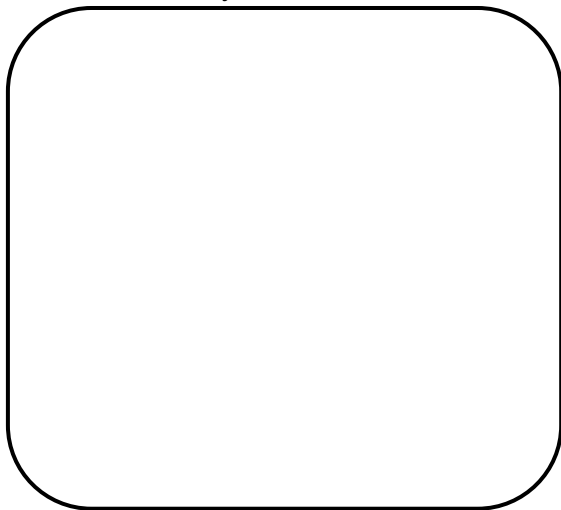
Bees and flowers are closely linked through their **mutualism**. Because they help each other out so much, they have developed traits through time which help strengthen their relationship.

How do bees help flowers? What do bees have that make them good at helping flowers?	How do flowers help bees? What do flowers have that makes them good at helping bees?

Observation Activity

Look outside at different types of flowers, or look at pictures of flowers. Draw flowers you see, and notice the colors, flower shapes, and sizes of each flower.

Flower 1: Draw your flower, then describe its traits.

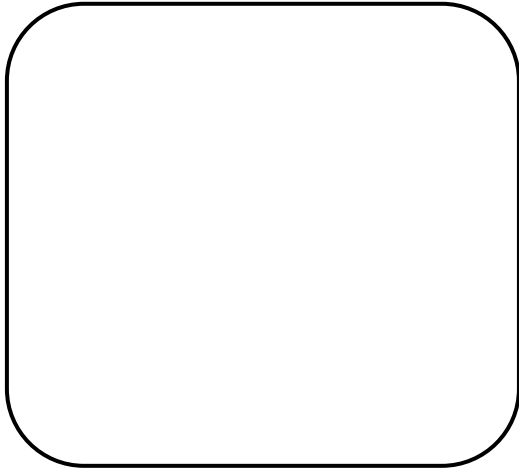


Col _____

Petal _____

Size _____

Flower 2: Draw your flower, then describe its traits.

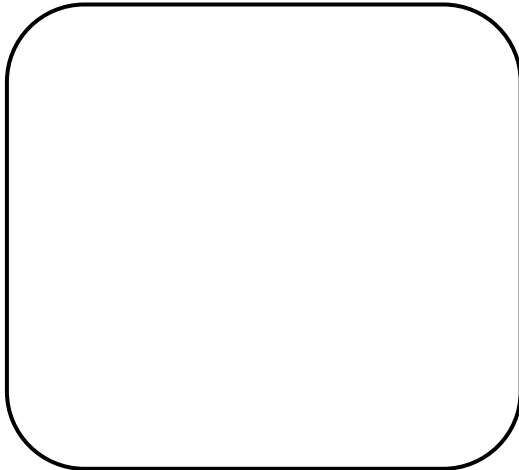


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Flower 3: Draw your flower, then describe its traits.

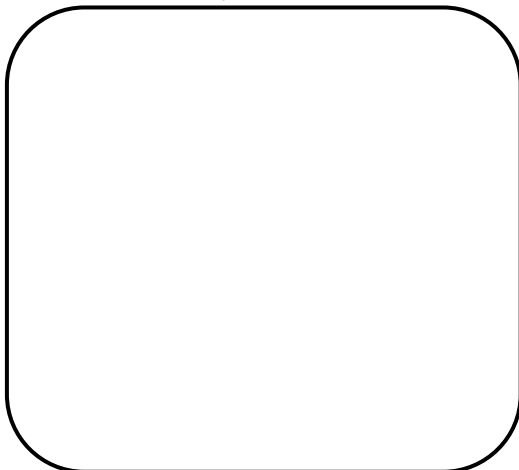


Col _____

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Flower 4: Draw your flower, then describe its traits.



Col _____

Petal _____

Siz _____

Flower Design Activity

Now you will have the chance to design your own flower based on the traits you think are the most successful at attracting bees. Think about the color, shape, and size of your new flower.

<p>Which color will your flower be</p>	<p>Which shape will your flower be</p>	<p>How big or small will your flower be</p>
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Draw your full flower design.

