



Sweet Treat

Introduction

Field bees collect nectar from two million flowers to make one pound of honey. In the back of *In the Trees, Honey Bees* author Lori Mortensen shares important information about how bees make honey and how beekeepers harvest it. Invite students to make this simple yet delicious treat - honey butter.

Materials Needed

- ◆ Butter
- ◆ Honey
- ◆ Bread
- ◆ Butter knife

Key Concepts

- ◆ All animals depend on plants.
- ◆ Organisms' patterns of behavior relate directly to the environment.
- ◆ Humans depend on environments.

For standards correlation please see our website.

Procedure

1. Combine one stick of butter with 1/4 cup of honey in a bowl.
2. Mix well until blended.
3. Spread mixture on bread.
4. Cut slices into halves or quarters.
5. Pass out to students.

Nature Connections

- ◆ Honey butter is just one type of food that's made with honey. Invite students to think of other kinds of food that may be made with honey.
- ◆ Ask students to write the alphabet from A to Z. Challenge students to write down a type of food that could be made with honey for each letter. A, for example could be Apple Pie, B could be butter, etc.

Additional Resources

How to make your own Honeycomb:

- 6tbs white sugar
- 2tbs honey
- 2tsp water
- 1tsp baking soda

Combine sugar, honey and water in a saucepan. Stir and bring to a boil until sugar dissolves. Remove pan from heat and add baking soda. When cool, break into pieces and enjoy!

