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Grade 2 Reading Worksheet

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When its pouch is full, the forager flies back to the hive. It passes the nectar to a house bee. The house bee chews the nectar and adds something from its own body. This helps change the nectar into honey.

Next, the house bee puts the nectar into a wax cell. The new honey is still too wet. So the bees fan their wings over the cells to dry it out. When the honey is thick, the bees cover each cell with a wax cap.

Bees save honey to use as food in winter, when no flowers are blooming.

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2. What is nectar?

   a sticky wax that the bees make at home

   thick honey in a wax cell

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3. Where does a forager keep the nectar on the trip home?

   in its honey stomach  on its fuzzy back legs  on its long tongue

4. What does the house bee do with the nectar first?

   carries it back out to a flower far away

   fans it with its wings to help it dry out

   chews it and adds something from its body

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