YEAR 4 · READING COMPREHENSION

Information Text: True or False

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Read the information text. For each statement, circle **True** or **False**. Then use evidence from the text to explain your choice.

READ THE TEXT

A Honeybee's Busy Hive

Inside a honeybee hive, thousands of bees live and work together. A colony has one queen, many worker bees and some drones. The queen lays eggs, but she does not give orders to the workers. Most workers are female. They clean the hive, care for young bees, guard the entrance and search for food.

Workers visit flowers to collect nectar, a sweet liquid, and pollen, a fine powder. Back at the hive, bees turn nectar into honey, which they store as food. Pollen is also taken to the hive and fed to growing larvae. When a bee moves from flower to flower, pollen can stick to its body and be carried to another bloom. This helps plants make seeds and fruit.

A worker that finds a good patch of flowers can perform a waggle dance inside the hive. The dance gives other bees clues about the flowers' direction and distance. In cold winter weather, honeybees stay inside the hive and gather close together. They use some of their stored honey for energy until warmer days return.

Show what you know

Give evidence for every answer.

1. A honeybee colony can have thousands of bees. ◯ True ◯ False

   Evidence from the text: _____

2. The queen tells the worker bees what jobs to do. ◯ True ◯ False

   Evidence from the text: _____

3. Worker bees collect both nectar and pollen from flowers. ◯ True ◯ False

   Evidence from the text: _____

4. Honey is made from pollen. ◯ True ◯ False

   Evidence from the text: _____

5. A waggle dance can give clues about the direction of flowers. ◯ True ◯ False

   Evidence from the text: _____

6. In cold winter weather, honeybees leave the hive to find flowers. ◯ True ◯ False

   Evidence from the text: _____