

Hive Inquiry

Directions: Read the passage carefully. Answer each question in a complete sentence. Then, identify which QAR type the question belongs to:

- **Right There**
- **Think and Search**
- **Author and Me**
- **On My Own**



Write your answers in the format: **Answer** → **QAR Type**

The Life of Honeybees

Honeybees are among the most important insects in the world. They live in large colonies made up of worker bees, drones, and a single queen. Worker bees gather nectar and pollen, which they use to make honey and feed the hive. Drones have the role of mating with the queen, while the queen's main job is to lay eggs, sometimes thousands in a single day. Bees also play a critical role in pollination, helping plants grow fruits and vegetables that humans and animals eat. In recent years, bee populations have been declining because of pesticides, diseases, and loss of habitat. Scientists warn that protecting bees is essential for the health of ecosystems and food supplies around the globe.

1. What are the three main types of bees in a colony?
2. Why are honeybees important to humans and the environment?
3. How do you think losing bees would affect your daily life?
4. Who is responsible for laying eggs in the hive?
5. The passage says bee populations are declining. What reasons are given for this problem?
6. Imagine you were in charge of protecting bees. What steps would you take?