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Bees

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1. Bees are kept in special box-like containers called ______.

- a) bee-flats
- b) beehives
- c) bonnets
- d) bee-containers

2. A ______ for bees is when there is not enough land that provides natural conditions for them to thrive, or sometimes even to survive.

- a) lack of housing
- b) lack of habitat
- c) lack of available accommodation
- d) lack of properties on the market
- 3. A pest is _____
- a) a small animal which damages crops
- b) a small animal which is harmful to other species
- c) an insect which damages crops
- d) Any of the above answers

4. In the UK, what exactly is the issue with the bee population?

- a) The number of bees is falling.
- b) There are too many bees.
- c) The number of bees is growing slower than expected.
- d) None of the above.

5. Which of these is NOT a synonym of 'to be on the decline'?

- a) to get smaller
- b) to shrink
- c) to pollinate
- d) to dwindle

6. What's a shorter way of saying 'to make plants grow or produce crops'?

- a) to sterilise
- b) to fertilise
- c) to pollenise
- d) to fertalise



ANSWERS:

1. Bees are kept in special box-like containers called _____

a), d) This word doesn't exist. Try again.

b) This is the right answer.

c) This isn't the right answer but you've come close to a good idiom: if you have a bee in your bonnet, you keep talking about something again and again because you think it is very important. Try again!

2. A ______ for bees is when there is not enough land that provides natural conditions for them to thrive, or sometimes even to survive.

a), c), d) This can only be said of people and their houses, not of bees or any other species.b) This is the correct answer.

3. A pest is ____

a), b), c) This is right but there are other answers that are also correct. Try to find the best one. d) This is correct, well done!

4. In the UK, what exactly is the issue with the bee population?

a) This is the right choice. Well done!

b), c) This is not correct. Try again.

d) One of the above answers is correct. Try again.

5. Which of these is NOT a synonym of 'to be on the decline'?

a), b), d) This is a synonym of 'to be on the decline'. Try again.

c) You are right. 'To pollinate' means to carry pollen grains and make plants grow or produce crops.

6. What's a shorter way of saying 'to make plants grow or produce crops'?

a) 'To sterilise' is the opposite of the correct verb. It means to stop an organism from reproducing.

b) This is the right answer.

c) This word doesn't exist. Try again.

d) Check your spelling!

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