

Follow that, Bee!

I hope you enjoyed the story. Here are some ideas for children and their grown-ups to try together:

Look for a bee on a sunny day and follow it for a while.

Does it stay in the same place, or move around?

Does it fly in a straight line, or zigzag around?

Can you copy the sound it makes?

Make some honey sandwiches together - either to take with you on your bee journey, or to share when you get home.

Make your own bee. Scrunch a yellow duster into a ball. Wind black wool round it to make stripes and to tie it together. Add googly eyes if you like. Take your bee for a journey. What adventures does it have?

When you get home, retell the bee's journey.

In the story, the bee found many things to touch or hear or smell.

Make your own collections of objects for your little one to explore; use household objects as well as toys (make sure they are safe for children to play with). It is always interesting to see what objects children choose and how they explore them, and it's a great chance to talk, and to play turn-taking games.

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