

Pollinator Variety

There's more to pollinators than bees!

What makes something a pollinator?

A pollinator is something that moves pollen within flowers or carries pollen flower to flower.



Lots of things are pollinators!

Bees, bats, beetles, flies, hummingbirds, moths, ants, wasps, other birds, butterflies, possums, lemurs, lizards, slugs, ants, true bugs,

wind and water!





Finger pollination

The pollen moves from plant to plant (open hand moving from left to right)

Some by a bee and some by an ant! (fist flying then crawling)



Pollination melody to the tune of She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain

She'll be gathering the pollen from the flower, (fist flying into open hand)

Whether blooming in savanna or in bower. (fingers up for grass)

She'll deposit every grain, (fingers tapping on palm)

Plants grow in the sun or rain. (fist up and fingers down)

She'll be gathering the pollen from the flower. (fist flying into open hand)



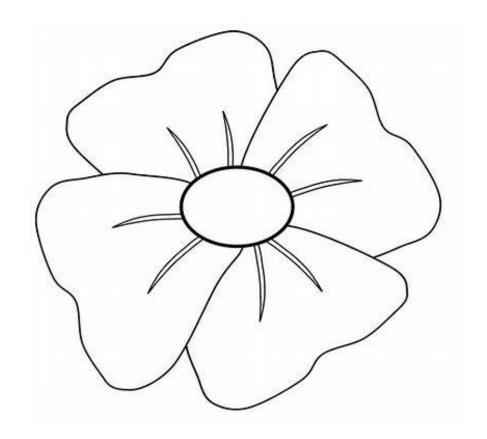
Perfect pollination

As you walk through the park, do you see pollen in the flowers? Do you see insects visiting the flowers?

You can make a pollination snack:

Use a cookie and M&Ms to make a flower and sprinkle the flower with graham cracker crumbs or turbinado sugar pollen.

Can you glue cornmeal to the flower picture to be the pollen?



This is a book about pollen and pollinators.

