Melvin's list of interesting bee facts that he didn't get a chance to read out in Meadow Hall (see page 102)



1

A worker bee only lives for 6 weeks.



One bee will make one twelfth of a teaspoon of honey in its lifetime.





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Bees will fly 50,000 miles and visit two million flowers to make one jar of honey.



A bee can carry its own weight in pollen and nectar.

5 A queen bee can lay a quarter of a million eggs in a year.





6 The language of the waggle dance was decoded by Karl von Frisch 50 years ago.

At the end of the summer, drones that haven't mated with a new queen are thrown out from the hive to die.