

Story Time Kit #2: Summer

Books:

- *Summer* by Alice Low (Ages 5 and up)
- *Summer Sun Risin'* by W. Nikola-Lisa (Ages 4 and up)
- *Sand Castle* by Brenda Shannon Yee (Ages 4 and up)
- *Summer* by Ailie Busby (Ages 2-3)
- *Down by the Cool of the Pool* by Tony Mitton (Ages 3-6)
- *Mouse's First Summer* by Lauren Thompson (Ages 3-5)

Activities:

- Poem: Baby's Baking
- Song: Baby Bumblebee
- Craft: 3D Bumblebees Paper Craft
- Song: Five Green & Speckled Frogs
 - To be used with glove puppet set
- Felt Board Beach Toys
 - Can be used with *Sand Castle* by Brenda Shannon Yee or other book of your choice
- Craft: Bunny and puppy swimsuit buddies

Additional book suggestions:

- *Pictures from our Vacation* by Lynne Rae Perkins
- *The Summer Visitors* by Karel Hayes
- *Summer Days and Nights* by Wong Herbert Yee

Baby's Baking

by Evaleen Stein

So, so, spade and hoe,
Little pile of sand;
See it turning into dough
In the baby's hand!

Little pie with crimpy crust,
Set it in the sun;
Sugar it with powdered dust,
And bake it till it's done.

Baby Bumblebee

Unknown Author

I'm bringing home a baby bumblebee,
Won't my mommy be so proud of me,
(Cup hands together as if holding bee)
I'm bringing home a baby bumblebee,
Ouch! It stung me!
(Shake hands as if just stung)

I'm squishing up the baby bumblebee,
Won't my mommy be so proud of me,
('Squish' bee between palms of hands)
I'm squishing up a baby bumblebee,
Ooh! It's yucky!
(Open up hands to look at 'mess')

I'm wiping off the baby bumblebee,
Won't my mommy be so proud of me,
(Wipe hands off on shirt)
I'm wiping off the baby bumblebee,
Now my mommy won't be mad at me!
(Hold hands up to show they are clean)

3D Bumblebees Paper Craft

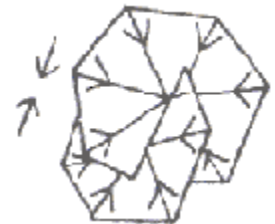
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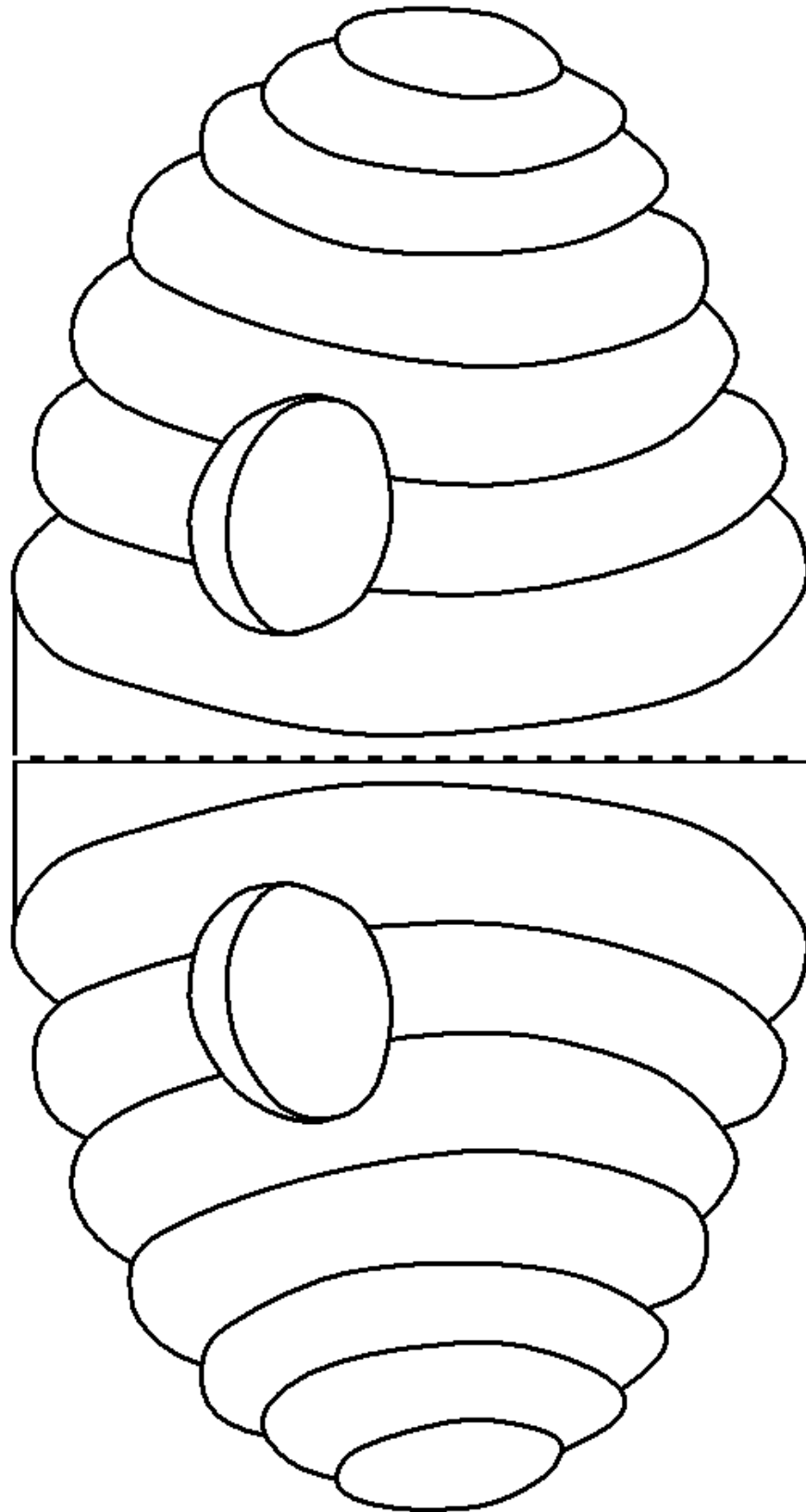
- printer,
- paper,
- scissors,
- something to color with (if using the B&W version),
- hole punch,
- string, thread, ribbon or wool.
- Optional: thin cardboard

Instructions:

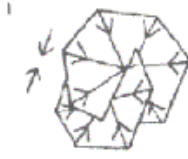
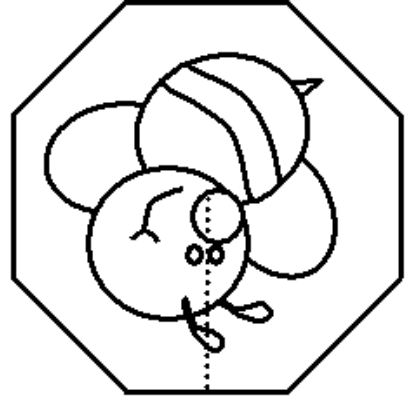
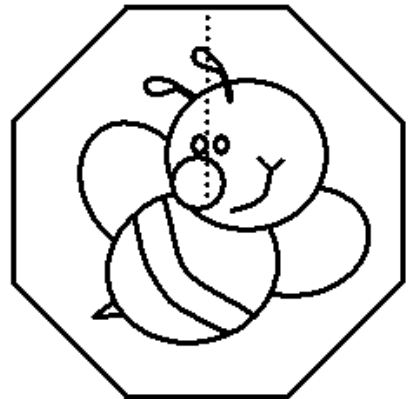
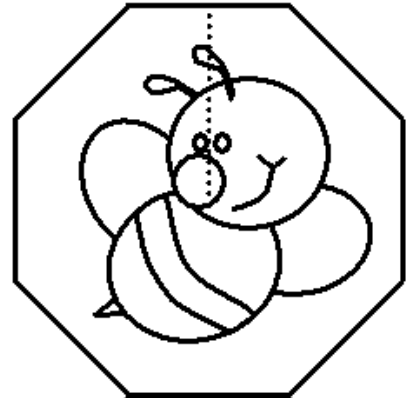
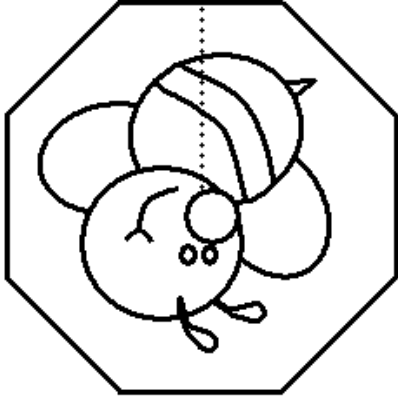
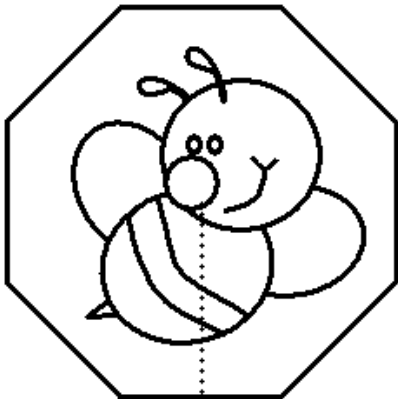
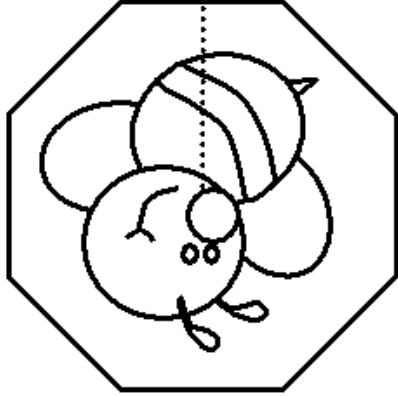
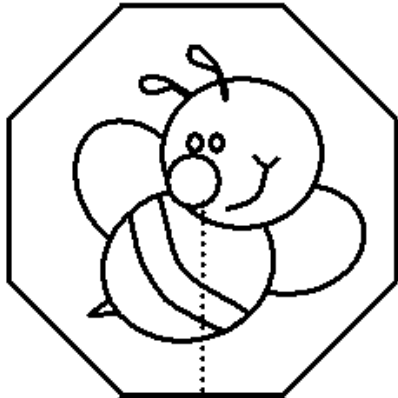
- Print template of choice and color as necessary.
- Cut out the template pieces.
- Fold each piece in half (on the dashed line) so they are all colored on both the front and the back.
- Optional: Put thin cardboard in between the front and back of each template piece to make them a bit sturdier.
- Glue together so the pieces are colored on both sides.
- 3D Bumblebees:
 - Cut on one of the dotted lines of each template piece (only cut as far as the dotted line goes, not all the way through the piece).
 - Slide the pieces together, top to bottom
 - Glue a piece of ribbon, string or thread onto the top (or hole punch a small hole and tie a ribbon through). If you hole punch, do it through the bee that is cut from the bottom, not the one that is cut from the top.
- Beehive:
 - Punch three holes in the bottom of the beehive template (one in the center and one on each edge).
 - String one bumblebee through each of the holes so it hangs down from the hive.
 - Punch a hole in the bottom of the middle bumblebee and string the fourth bumblebee through that hole



3D Bumblebees Paper Craft
Template 1



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Five Green & Speckled Frogs

To be used with included glove puppet set.

Five green and speckled frogs
Sat on a speckled log
Eating the most delicious flies.
YUM! YUM!

One jumped into the pool,
Where it was nice and cool,
Then there were four green speckled frogs!

Repeat the song, reducing the number of frogs by one in each of the succeeding verses. In the final verse, the last line changes to

Then there were no green speckled frogs!

Bunny & Puppy Swimsuit Buddies

From Free Kids Crafts website: <https://www.freekidscrafts.com/swimsuit-buddies/>

Materials:

- Scissors (optional)
- Markers, crayons or colored pencils
- Glue stick

Instructions:

- Copy the characters and their swimsuits.
- If you do not want the children to use scissors, you can cut out the characters and swimsuits ahead of time.
- Children can choose which character(s) and which swimsuit(s) they'd like to use.
- If children are ok with using scissors, they can cut the pieces themselves.
- Children can color the pieces and then glue the swimsuit(s) onto the character(s).

