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Date	18 May 2015					
Time	2 hours					
Subject	Science: bees and honey					
Class	Year 1 primary school					
Group profile	Strengths:They absorb very quickly the language: vocabulary and main structures.Some children know better than others English because they come fromdifferent countries and their parents speak a little English at home.They sometimes work in pair and are able to collaborate.Weaknesses:Different levels and efforts in learning content and language.It is the first year they study English.Some students have low concentration.					
Learning Outcomes (most learners)	Learn and represent how bees make honey. Learn the different stages in making honey. Learn, through a game, the different roles of bees: worker (collect pollen), queen (lay eggs in the hive) and drone (male bees). Know and use vocabulary related to bees and honey (bee, honey, hive, flower, honeycomb). Know and use some adjectives (sweet, bitter). Know and use some verbs (to fly, to make,). Questions structures (What is it? It is a). Give a simple reply using body. Interact with classmates and teacher. Understand and follow the instructions of the teacher. Identify and name vocabulary related to bees and honey. Make some hypothesis about how bees make honey. Order different stages that describe how bees make honey. Cooperate in pairs and in groups. Know the role of beekeeper.					
Final task	Be aware of the existence of different kind of honey. Match some pictures with the right word and draw the path of making honey by bees.					

Timetable fit	Knowledge of animals, especially insects and bees (what are bees, how they are, where they live). They have done a trip in a farm where they saw many animals, also bees. They also know some vocabulary about animals and nature (tree, flower) and are able to identify and name animals using flashcards. They will learn something more about the differences between a queen, worker and drone bee and their life cycle.
Anticipated problems and solutions	<u>Technological problem</u> : the whiteboard does not work and it is not possible show the video to learners. Prepare before some pictures could help children to understand how honey is made.
	<u>Behaviour problem</u> : some children would not pay attention. It will be useful to show some pictures in order to facilitate them and attract them. Try to involve them in practical activities, where they are doing something and encourage them giving a positive feedback.
	Learning difficulties: especially for the language because for children it is the first year that they study English. If children do not understand the language it is possible to use gestures, pictures, speak slowly and repeat concepts many times. Another strategy could be to use code switching but just for certain moments.
	<u>Time problem</u> : the amount of time planed for each stage would not be enough or too much. If time is not enough I will give students some pictures for their poster so they do not need to draw and they have just to order the pictures and choose words related to each stage. If I see the time is too much we can do the game "the race for the honey" more than one time and leave them time to enjoy.
	Space problem: the space, especially for the game, would not be enough. We can change the arrangement of the desks or do it in the playground.
	<u>Absent students</u> : If there are absent children, for the group work it will be necessary to change and combine groups in another way.
Resources & materials to be used	Video, song, posters, pictures, flashcards, specific materials for the game (hive, flowers and crown in paper and yellow balls) personal and school materials, English book, worksheet. To support the weakest students I can use more visual aids and require just a physical response.

Stage	Aim	Procedure	Materials	Interaction	Timing
1 Beginning	Activate knowledge.	Warm up phase - Brainstorming activities: start from the question "which animal makes honey?" Discussion in pears about bees	Blackboard, flashcards, whiteboard and song ("our bee song").	In pair during the discussion. Later the whole class with the support of the teacher. Finally, during the song,	20 minutes
	Introduce words related to bees	and key vocabulary related to them. Write on the blackboard the		interaction using body. For certain moments,	

	and honey. Discover and	vocabulary they already know in English and teach them the vocabulary they know just in Italian. Help them to learn vocabulary showing flash cards and using a simple song combined with movements and gestures. Ask to students	Video ("horse	especially during pair discussion, it is necessary for children to use code switching.	30 minutes
2 Middle	Understand how honey is made by bees. Understand the role of beekeeper. Be aware of the existence of different kind of honey.	Ask to students this question: "how bees make honey?". After the question, collect the different hypothesis. Later show a video to verify their hypothesis. After the video reflect and try to repeat together, with the support of the teacher and pictures, the different stages. I ask some questions to leaners to avoid misunderstandings. In the last stage the attention is on the role of beekeeper. Moreover, it is possible to lead a little discussion showing children a picture of honey of different colours. Pupils, from the picture, can understand that there are different kind of honey that depend on the kind of flowers and the zone where they grow. This reflection has the aim to focus on	Video ("honey bee- teach your kids about the amazing busy buzzing insect"), whiteboard, computer and pictures (Worksheet 1)	whole class with the support of the teacher.	50 minutes
3	Daflact in groups	culture. Divide the students	Posters, pieces of	In groups during	50 minutes
3 Middle	Reflect in groups on the stages involved in making honey.	into five groups. Give to students a poster where they have to draw the stages of making honey and choose	paper with key words and personal school materials (pencil, crayons). Materials for the	the work. In two teams for the game. Whole class for the plenary.	50 minutes

	Order and represent the different stages.	which are the words (flower, hive, honey,	game: two hives in paper, yellow balls, two		
	different stages. Know the role of different bees.	hive, honey, beekeeper) related to the different stages. I can suggest them to use a cycle, useful graphic organizer, for connecting the stages. At the end each group shows his poster to classmates. Game "the race for the honey". Children are divided in two different teams. They pretend to be bees (worker bees), buzz on the flowers to take nectar (yellow balls) and run to the hive (a paper hive) to put the nectar into the cells. For each hive there is a child that is the queen and wears a crown and drones. At the end of the game, honey quantity (yellow balls) determinates the winner. Finally, little and brief plenary to reflect with the whole class about	balls, two crowns for the queens of each hive and two flowers in paper. (Worksheet 2)		
		what they have learned.			
4	Verify what students have	Give to students a test that consists in	Tests (Worksheet 3)	Individual assessment	20 minutes
End	learned	matching some pictures with the right word and connect with an arrow the path			
		made by bees.			

Worksheet



