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I eat my **peas** with honey,

I've done it all my life,

It makes the peas taste funny,

But it keeps them on the knife!

- By Ogden Nash

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5 Facts About Bees

- 1. Most bees are solitary species.
- 2. It is believed bees are descended from wasps.
- 3. There are about 25,000 known species of bee in the world, with probably more to be discovered!
- 4. Bees cannot see the colour red, but do visit red flowers because they can see the Ultra Violet markings on the petals.
- 5. Currently, the smallest bee known in the world is Trigonoma minima, and is about 2.1mm long. The largest is Megachile pluto, a leafcutter bee which can measure 39mm.

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## Bees Are Important Pollinators



Bees help us to grow foods we like to eat, such as...



Strawberries
Apples
Blueberries
Raspberries
Blackberries
Cherries
Pears
Plums
Peaches



Peas
Almonds
Hazelnuts
Pumpkins
Figs
Walnuts

Currants

Beans



...and many more...

Next time you eat a pie, a muffin or a meal, thank the bees!

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