### Lesson Plan 7: Score your school for bees



#### **Objectives**

In this lesson, students will:

- Learn to assess and score areas of the school yard or a local park in terms of providing food, shelter or safety for pollinators
- Fill in score charts
- Design charts and tables to show their results
- Learn to use data to produce a pollinator-friendly score for their school.

#### **Background:**

In Lesson Plan 4, the students learned what pollinators need to survive: food shelter and safety

In lesson 5, they used that knowledge to map the school grounds

(Not all schools will have a school garden, so this activity can also be done in a local park, on a field trip, or in their own gardens at home.)

# Activity:

• Using your map, work in groups to score your school grounds according to how pollinator-friendly it is



Your School's Pollinator Score (out of 100)	
Food total	
Shelter total	
Safety total	
Your school's overall pollinator-friendly score =	



# Use your map to Rate your school for pollinators!



FOOD (60 points)		
Are there areas with wildflowers, such as Dandelions or Clover?	(out of 10 points)	
Do you have native hedgerows around your school that provide flowers (food) for pollinators	(out of 10 points)	
Areas with bramble	(out of 5 points)	
Areas with Ivy	(out of 5 points)	
Pollinator-friendly trees, e.g. apple tree	(out of 10 points)	
Pollinator-friendly flower bed, windowboxes, hanging baskets or planters.	(out of 10 points)	
Herb garden	(out of 5 points)	
fruit/vegetable garden	(out of 5 points)	
	Total Food score =	

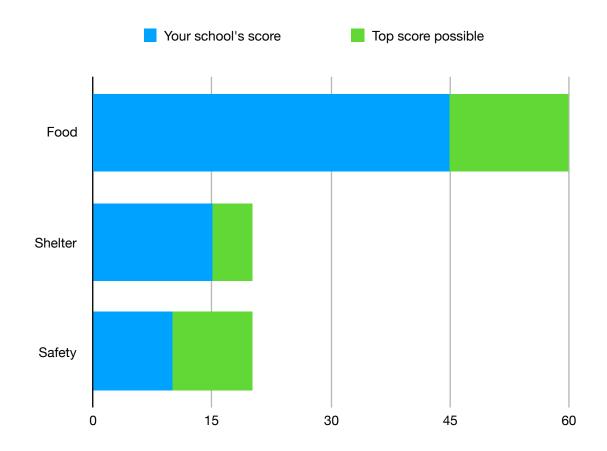
SHELTER (20 points)			Score
Bumblebees	Areas with long grass	(out of 10 points)	
Solitary mining bees	south/east-facing banks of bare soil	(out of 5 points)	
Solitary cavity-nesting bees	bug hotels or holes in wood, or stone walls for cavity-nesting bees	(out of 5 points)	
		Total Shelter score =	

SAFETY (20 points)			
	No pesticides used (Score 10 points)	Herbicide is used but no insecticides (Score 5 points)	Both insecticides and herbicides are used (Score 0 points)
Are pesticides used?			
		Total Safety Score =	



Your School's Pollinator Score (out of 100)	
Food total	
Shelter total	
Safety total	
Your school's overall pollinator-friendly score =	

#### Create a graph to show your results



# Create a scale illustration to show your results

Poor	Good	Excellent!	