HONEY TASTING LESSON

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SUMMARY/BIG IDEA:

Honey flavors vary depending on the season and type of flowers that the bees have visited to collect nectar.

MATERIALS & RESOURCES:

- Variety of honey, cups or containers for honey samples
- Stir sticks to taste each honey
- Lab sheets to note which type of honey students think each sample is
- Honey Vendor
- <u>Beebread visual examples</u>

STEPS:

PART ONE:

- 1. Prepare samples in numbered cups or squeeze bottles prior to lesson.
- 2. Discuss what makes each honey taste differently.
 - Note that honey from a single hive can look and taste differently each season based on the different kinds of flowers in season.
 - Use honeys that are naturally different rather than honey that is processed and flavored artificially.
- **3.** Have students taste honeys one at a time. Identify each, discuss and describe what each tastes like.







ASSESSMENT/REFLECTION:

Ask students to share their thoughts on the different honeys. Do they have a favorite? With what foods might they use honey?



Bee Journal Entry - Why do different bottles of honey look and taste different?

HONEY TASTING LESSON STANDARDS

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