



Pollinator Palooza

Design Your Flower

Want to learn more about birds and bees? Discover the importance of pollinators and activities and strategies to incorporate this topic into your classroom.

Materials Needed

- 1) Construction paper
- 2) Copy paper
- 3) Tissue paper
- 4) Pipe cleaners
- 5) Scissors
- 6) Glue
- 7) Crayons/Markers

Activity Procedure

- 1) Discuss with participants the complementary relationship between pollinators and the plants they pollinate. Point out how some pollinators are designed to pollinate some plants better than others.
- 2) Have each participant answer the following questions on a half sheet of paper:
 - a. What is your favorite color?
 - b. What is your favorite shape?
 - c. What smells good to you?
 - d. What is your favorite snack?
- 3) When all have finished, have them crumple the paper up and toss it around the room for 10 seconds. Everyone should end up with a new paper.
- 4) Have participants build a flower for their pollinator based on the answers on the paper.
- 5) Once most of the group has finished their flower, have a few participants share the flower they made and have the pollinator they made it for stand up.

More Information

This activity was modelled from a Smithsonian Education activity. More information can be found <u>here</u>.