

WORKSHOP EXTENSION ACTIVITY

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Farm Planter: A Pollinator's Paradise

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CONNECT.

Pollinators like bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds play an important role in helping plants grow. They carry pollen from one flower to another, which allows plants to make seeds and fruit. Without pollinators, many plants on farms and in gardens would not be able to produce food.

INVESTIGATE.

Different pollinators have unique body parts and behaviors that make them better suited to certain flowers. Figure out which pollinators are most likely to visit the plants in your Farm Planter and then design accurate 3D models of them for your scene.

You'll need:

- Your Farm Planter
- Modeling clay
- Chenille stems (pipe cleaners)
- Paper
- Markers
- Toothpicks

1. Choose at least two pollinators to research. Find out what they look like, what plants they visit most, and how their bodies help them move pollen. You can look for books at the library or find information online. Make sure you ask an adult for help when searching online or using the internet.
2. Shape your pollinator models from clay, chenille stems, or paper, paying attention to body parts like wings, antennae, and legs that help them in real life.

INNOVATE.

Arrange your pollinators around your Farm Planter so they look like they are visiting the plants. You could place a bee on the edge of the planter, a butterfly hovering near a flower, or a hummingbird in flight.

Add paper flowers or leaves to give your pollinators more places to visit. You can also label each pollinator with its name and one fact you learned about it.

Share a photo of your Farm Planter complete with your 3D pollinators in action using #kidsworkshopexplore.



Carpenters use a variety of tools and materials to build real houses, farm planters, raised garden beds, and other wooden structures.

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