

For Teachers: Please have the students read the sentences one at a time and correct their pronunciation of each sentence then have them repeat after you. Wait until after they read the sentence (use the number in place of the missing word) to have the students choose the correct answer to fill in the blank. When the students finish the article, move on to the further questions.

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3[A] – みつばち **Honey Bees and CCD**



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- Honeybees are best own for their honey, but their most important role is actually in the pollination of more than 90 types of agricultural crops. 授粉 (じゅふん) 農作物 (のうさくもつ)
- It is estimated that honeybees contribute to the production of a staggering \$14.6 billion worth of crops annually in the United States alone. 驚 (おどろ) くほどの 年間 (ねんかん) で
- In fact, many professional beekeepers make most of their income by renting their hives to orchards and farms during pollination season. みつばちの巣箱 (すばこ) 養蜂家 (ようほうか) 果樹園 (かじゅえん) 貸 (か) すこと
- Since 2005, however, a mysterious syndrome called colony collapse disorder (CCD) has had a profound effect on North American honeybee colonies. CCD devastates previously flourishing colonies, leaving just the queen and a few young as all the adult worker bees fly away from the hive and die. 症候群 (しょうこうぐん) 重大 (じゅうだい) な 蜂群崩壊症候群 (ほうぐんほうかいしょうこうぐん) 荒 (あ) らす これまで 繁茂 (はんも) している
- The bees that remain are typically found to be weakened by disease, suggesting their immune systems have been compromised. 残 (のこ) る 決 (き) まって 弱 (よわ) って 免疫 (めんえき) の 低下 (ていか) した
- CCD has already reduced the number of honeybee colonies in the United States by as much as 40 percent.
- Should the colonies be affected even more severely, crop yields would be hit hard as the demand for pollination could not be met. ひどく 収穫 (しゅうかく) 消費者 (しょうひしゃ) 負 (お) わされる 空前 (くうぜん) の
- Consumers would be saddled with an unprecedented rise in produce prices and face a shortage of numerous staple foods. 多 (おお) くの 主要 (しゅよう) な

Further Questions&A*Ask student to answer the question on their own at first. If the student can't answer correctly, have him look at the last page and read the "example answer" for the question. Have the student try to memorize the answer, if it's too long or difficult, you should divide the sentence into 2 or 3 parts to make it easier to remember. Once they have memorized the answer, the teacher should ask the question one last time so that the student can practice answering. Also if you find any mistakes, please mark the page and let me know ASAP.

- 1) What is the most important role of honeybees?** みつばちの最も重要な役目は何ですか。
The most important role of honeybees is the pollination of more than 90 types of agricultural crops.
- 2) How much do honeybees contribute to the production of crops?**
- みつばちは、農作物の生産にいくらくらい貢献していますか。
 Honeybees contribute to the production of \$14.6 billion worth of crops annually.
- 3) What does CCD do to a bee colony?** CCD ははちの群れに対してどんなことをしますか。
- It devastates a previously flourishing colony, leaving just the queen and a few young.

14. A **myriad of factors**, including pesticides, climate change, and even cell-phone radiation have been investigated in attempts to determine the cause of CCD.
15. A team lead by **University of Montana** researcher Jerry Bromenshenk, however, believes it has finally **put** the mystery to rest.
16. Using a technique known as **mass spectrometry**, in which samples of materials can be separated into their **molecular components**, the team analyzed honeybees from hives that had **fallen victim to** CCD in different locations across North America.
17. In all the affected bees, they found **proteins** belonging to two particular **pathogens**: *Nosema ceranae*, a single-celled fungus, and **invertebrate iridescent virus (IIV)**, a virus never before found in North America.
18. When honeybees from hives in Australia—where CCD has yet to occur—and from **CCD-free** hives in the state of Montana were analyzed, neither *Nosema ceranae* proteins nor IIV proteins were discovered.
19. Subsequent **laboratory tests** showed that each pathogen **in isolation** is not deadly but that a combination of the two results in certain death for most honeybees.
20. The way the two pathogens **interact** to **trigger** CCD is still unknown.
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Further Questions&A



22. **4) What is mass spectrometry?** *Mass spectrometry is a technique in which samples of materials can be separated into their molecular components.*
23. **5) What are the two pathogens that Bromenshenk believes are responsible for CCD?** *He believes that Nosema cernae, a single-celled fungus, and invertebrate iridescent virus (IIV), a virus never before found in North America, are responsible.*
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25. Dr. James Frazier, an **entomologist** and Penn State University, believes Bromenshenk has been too quick to **discount** the role of pesticides. Frazier says research in Europe has **proven** that contamination by certain pesticides makes hives **susceptible** to CCD.

26. He also notes that Bromenshenk runs a company that develops equipment for detecting disease-causing pathogens in bees, and as such would benefit if CCD were blamed on a biological contagion rather than agricultural chemicals.
27. Moreover, Bromenshenk is accused of having a conflict of interest on another front, as he received substantial funding for research from a pesticide company implicated in honeybee deaths in Europe.
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The company that funded Bromenshenk has been implicated in honeybee deaths in Europe and wants to create evidence that they are not to blame for CCD.

35. *Choose the correct answer from these choices.

36. (32) What does the author of the passage say about the future implications of CCD? この文章の著者は、CCDが将来に及ぼす影響について何と言っていますか。
37. 1. If CCD continued to spread, honey could cease to be the primary source of income for beekeepers as most consumers could no longer afford it.
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40. 4. Even if CCD were to vanish, the fact that it has already reduced the number of honeybee colonies by 40 percent means many crop yields will fail to recover.
41. (33) Which statement best summarizes the findings of Bromenshenk's team?
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