

## Decodable Texts: Silent E (I-E)

"This nonfiction story takes us inside a beehive! As you read, look for i-e words like 'hive' and 'dive' to learn how bees live and work."



### Inside a Beehive

Bees live inside a hive.

A hive is a safe place for bees to work.

Each bee has a job. Some bees dive to find flowers.

They take the juice and make it into honey.

Inside the hive, bees store the honey in wide cells.

Bees also use wax to shape the hive.

It is a busy, buzzing home!

After reading the story, have your child point to and slowly sound out each practice word.

hive

dive

wide

live

inside



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Inside a Beehive

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1. Where do bees live?

- A. In a cave
- B. In the sky
- C. Inside a hive
- D. On the ground

2. What do bees do with the juice from flowers?

- A. Make it into honey
- B. Use it to build the hive
- C. Store it in wax
- D. Drink it and rest

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3. Fill in the blank:

Bees store the honey in wide \_\_\_\_\_.

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4. What are some of the jobs that bees have inside the hive?

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5. Why do you think bees work together instead of alone?

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** i-e Silent E Words

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Science/Expository

**High-Frequency Words:** they, each, some, into, also

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## Before Reading

1. Many science words use i-e patterns—watch for how they help describe what bees do.
  2. What do you already know about bees?
  3. Why do you think bees need a hive?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Help your reader break i-e words like “inside” or “dive” into syllables. Remind them the silent E makes the I say its name.
  2. Watch for i-e words related to bees and their work
  3. What do bees do with the flower juice?
  4. Try reading the buzzing parts in a fun voice!
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## After Reading

1. Tell how bees make honey from start to finish
  2. Why is it smart for bees to store honey inside the hive?
  3. What’s something new you learned about bees today?
  4. Skill Check: Underline six i-e words in the text
  5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again with energy and a “reporter voice” like you're teaching others about bees!
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## Activity Idea

Draw a beehive with wide honeycomb cells and label parts with i-e words like “hive,” “dive,” or “live.” Then write 1–2 sentences about how bees use their hive.

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## Coaching Tip

Use nonfiction stories to build vocabulary and reading accuracy—real-world facts are great for word learning!

