

Flight of the Bumblebees

NARRATOR Bud and Bertha are bumblebee friends! They like to look for flowers to collect pollen. Pollen is like dust inside the flowers. They also take the sweet nectar from the flowers back to their nest!

Sound effects of gentle buzzing of bumblebees.

BUD *(Sitting at the entrance to their colony's nest).*
Hello Bertha! How are you today?

BERTHA Fine thanks! It's a nice day for a fly past!

BUD Yes the sun is shining and it's a warm summer day.

BERTHA What flowers shall we look for today?

BUD Well, we may find some sunflowers or snapdragons.

BERTHA My favorite are snapdragons!!

BUD Let's fly and have a look!

(Sound effects of buzzing) Bertha and Bud pretend to fly across and around the stage as if looking for flowers.

BERTHA There I see a big sunflower.

BUD Let's fly down and have a look!

BERTHA There's a whole garden full of sunflowers!

BUD Look — there are snapdragons right near the sunflowers.

BERTHA I'm going to the snapdragons.

BUD I'm going to that big sunflower.

BERTHA Sh, there are children playing in the garden!

BUD This is great. I'm going back to the nest to tell the others to come here!

BERTHA I'm staying here.

NARRATOR Bertha lands on a snapdragon and starts to roll and buzz in the pollen. She sips the nectar to take back to the bumblebee nest. Rob and Jenna who are playing in the garden stop to watch them.

ROB Hey Jenna, look at that bumblebee. It's rolling in that snapdragon.

JENNA Yes and look a whole bunch more bumblebees are coming. They've found all our sunflowers and our snapdragons.

ROB That bumblebee is having a great time in the snapdragons.

JENNA Mom, Dad, come and see all the bumblebees in the garden.

MOM Oh just look at that! They're all over the flowers!

DAD Yes bumblebees like to take the nectar and they roll in the pollen. They help the flowers. They carry the pollen from one flower to the other. That is called pollination!

MOM That's how seeds are made!

BUD (*Sitting up on the sunflower*) I think they're talking about us.

BERTHA Let's talk to them!

Bud, Bertha and all the bumblebees sing to tune of "Jingle Bells".

Bumblebee Song

1. Bumblebees, bumblebees
Bumble all the way
To the garden, we will go
Early in the day — Hey!

Pollinate, pollinate
Pollinate the flowers
They help us; we help them.
We're the superpowers! Hey!

2. Superpowers! Superpowers!
We are superpowers!
Pollinate all the flowers
That's our job to do — Hey!

In the garden, in the field
Please remember us!
Keep us safe from herbicides
For us that is a PLUS! HEY!

Sound effects of loud buzzing increasing in volume with applause from the audience!