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CODE READER™

Making Difficult Words Easy

Code Reader Books provide codes with “sound keys” to help read difficult words. For example, a word that may be difficult to read is “unicorn,” so it might be followed by a code like this: unicorn (*YOO-nih-korn*). By providing codes with phonetic sound keys, Code Reader Books make reading easier and more enjoyable.

Examples of Code Reader™ Keys

Long a sound (as in make):

a (*with a silent e*) or **ay**

Examples: able (*AY-bul*); break (*brake*)

Short i sound (as in sit): **i** or **ih**

Examples: myth (*mith*); mission (*MIH-shun*)

Long i sound (as in by):

i (*with a silent e*) or **y**

Examples: might (*mite*); bicycle (*BY-sih-kul*)

Keys for the long o sound (as in hope):

o (*with a silent e*) or **oh**

Examples: molten (*MOLE-ten*); ocean (*OH-shen*)

Codes use dashes between syllables (*SIH-luh-buls*), and stressed syllables have capital letters.

To see more Code Reader sound keys, see page 43.

A close-up, front-facing view of a hornet's head. The hornet has large, dark, textured compound eyes on either side of its face. The central part of its face is covered in a dense, shaggy mass of light-colored, golden-brown hairs. The mandibles are visible at the bottom center of the face. The background is a soft, out-of-focus yellow and brown.

KILLER BEES AND HORNETS

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Killer Bees and Hornets
A Code Reader™ Book
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INVADERS

(in-VAY-durz)

Invasive (*in-VAY-siv*) insects are an increasing danger (*DANE-jur*) to people. These are insects that have somehow spread from their original (*or-RIH-jih-nul*) habitats to a new part of the world. The spread of invasive insects is usually (*YOO-zhoo-uh-lee*) due to something humans have done. Two of the scariest invasive insects are killer bees and giant (*JY-ent*) hornets.

These frightening insects are not just dangerous to humans. They are also a growing danger to honeybees (*HUN-nee-BEEZ*).



Honeybees are very important for much of the food we eat. They pollinate (*POL-lih-nate*) about 75 percent of the fruit (*froot*), nuts, and vegetables (*VEJ-tuh-bulz*) grown in the United (*yoo-NY-ted*) States. Without bees, much of the food we eat could not be grown. But honeybees are being killed and their hives taken over by killer bees and giant hornets.

Killer Bee

TAKEOVER

(*TAKE-oh-ver*)

A honeybee hive buzzes. Inside, the bees feed their young and make honey. Outside, killer bees approach. They need a need place to live. And the honeybee hive will make a great spot. The queen killer bee and a few of its workers crawl • • • • • inside. The takeover (*TAKE-oh-ver*) has begun (*bee-GUN*).







Attack!

The killer bees find the honeybee queen. They kill it. The killer bee queen then takes over the hive. It begins laying eggs. Meanwhile, the workers fight off attacking honeybees. The nest will soon be filled with killer bees.



Killer bees don't just kill honeybees. They can kill other animals, even people (PEE-pul)!

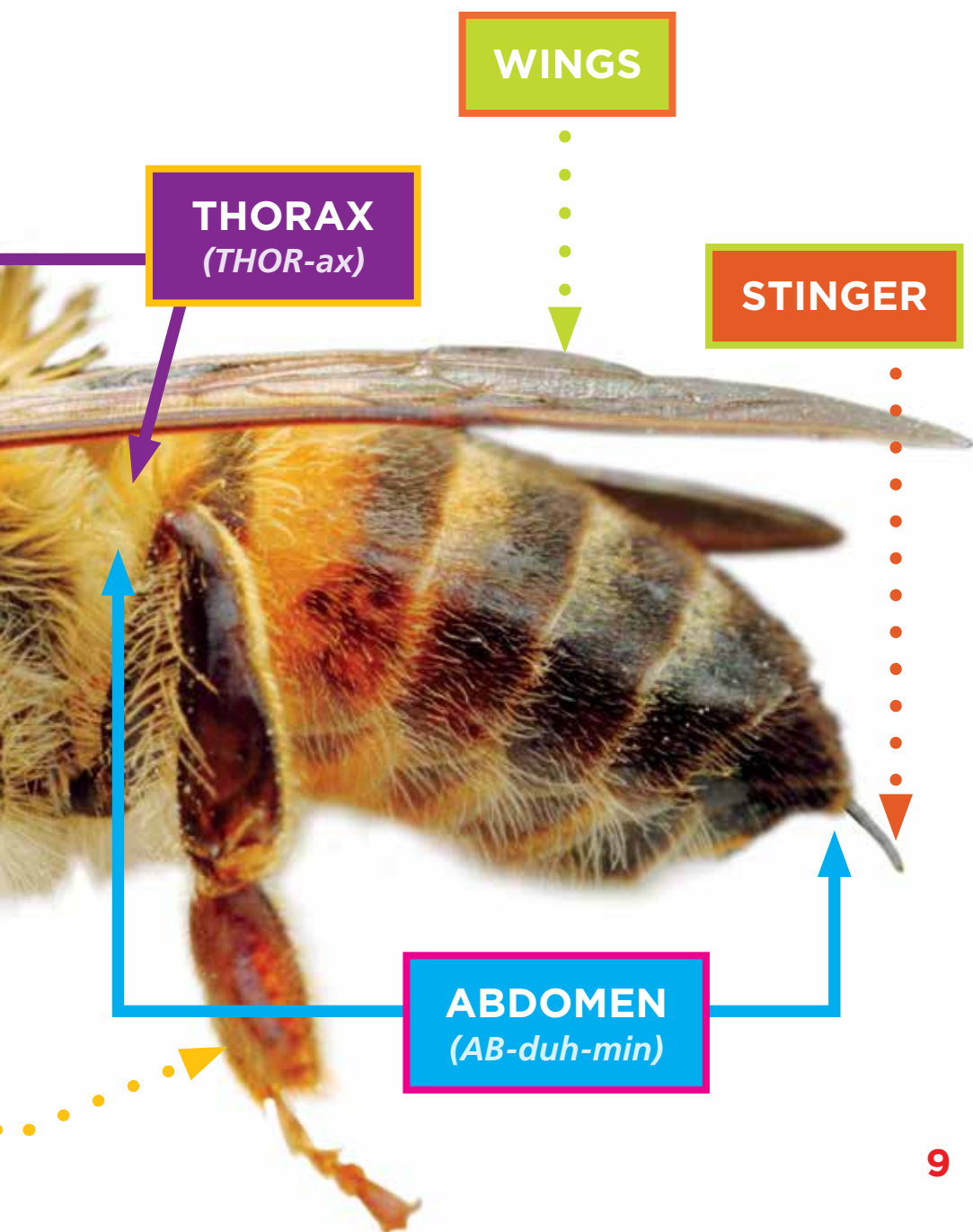
Size and FEATURES



HEAD

ANTENNAE
(an-TEN-nee)

LEGS



WINGS

THORAX
(*THOR-ax*)

STINGER

ABDOMEN
(*AB-duh-min*)



Killer bees do not have more venom (*VEN-um*) than other bees. But large groups of killer bees attack at once (*wuns*). They will also chase people or animals farther than other bees.