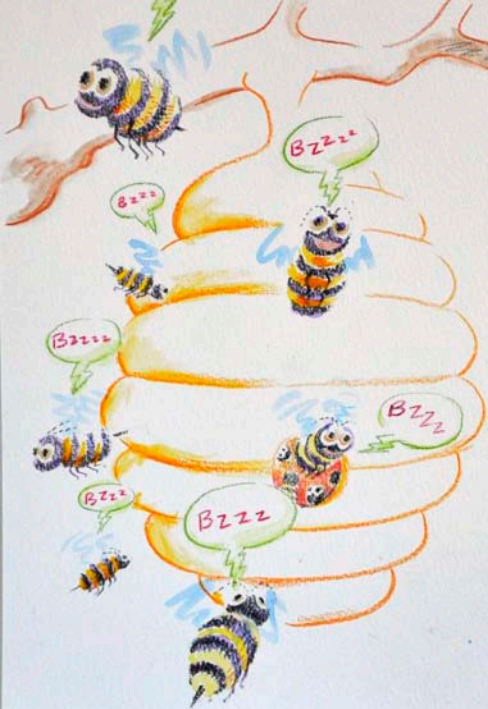


silent  
bee.



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Buzz.buzz.buzz goes the hive.

Bees leave and bees arrive.





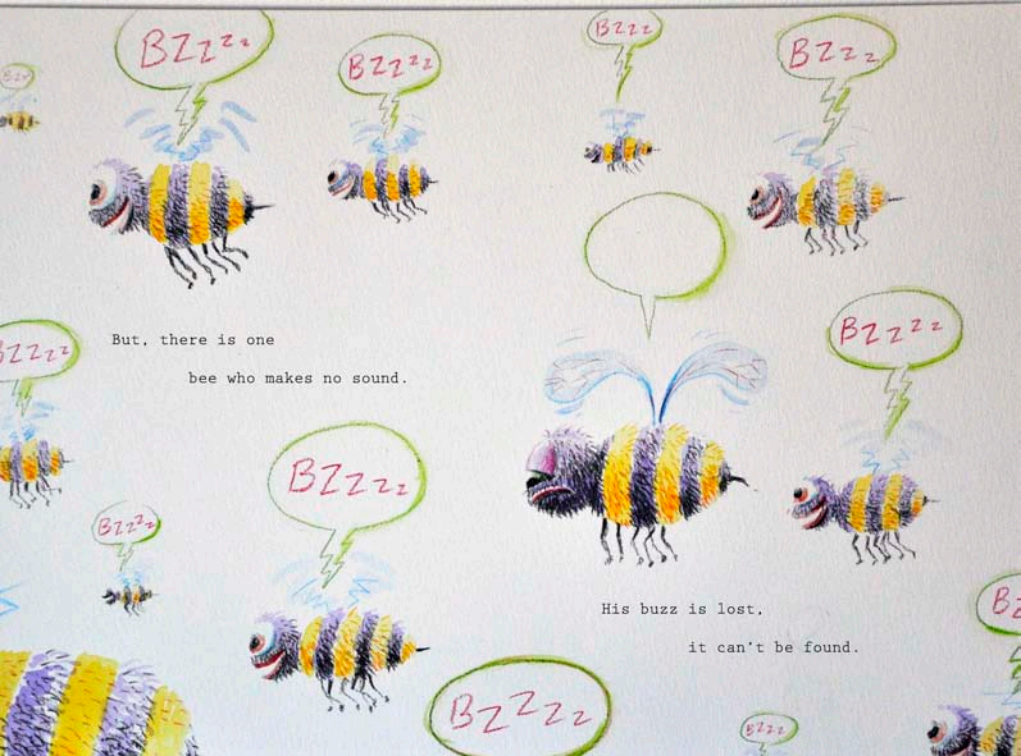
Getting down and getting buzzy.

makes their tummies warm and fuzzy.



They swarm together, a crazy crowd.

Their volume cranked to extra loud.



But, there is one

bee who makes no sound.

His buzz is lost.

it can't be found.

A small, stylized bee with a yellow and black striped body and blue wings is perched on a dark, textured ledge. The background is a dark, hexagonal-patterned surface, possibly a honeycomb or a cave wall. A bright, glowing oval opening is visible on the left side of the frame. The overall scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the glowing opening.

The others call him 'Silent Bee'.

He sits all alone, quietly.