Beekeeping

- 1. Know a brief history of keeping bees for honey.
- 2. List at least five uses of each of the following:
 - a. Honey
 - **b.** Beeswax
 - c. Propolis
- 3. Name ten foods that would be very difficult to grow if there were no honey bees.
- 4. List the duties of the drone, the worker, and the queen bees.
- 5. Describe how bees build combs. Why does the comb turn dark with age?
- 6. What is meant by the following terms:
 - **a.** Movable-frame hive
 - **b.** Crossed comb
 - c. Bee space
 - d. Swarming
- 7. What is a smoker? What materials make good fuel for a smoker?
- 8. What consideration should be given when choosing a hive location?
- 9. How are honey bee diseases spread from hive to hive?
- **10.** What is robbing? Describe a robber bee.
- 11. Name four ways to help prevent swarming. Why should swarming be prevented?
- **12.** What three requirements must be met for the colony to successfully weather a winter?
- 13. What is the advantage of using a double-brood chamber system?
- 14. Carry out the following duties of successful beekeeping:
 - **a.** Spring feed to stimulate brood production
 - **b.** Supering and other swarm prevention techniques
 - **c.** Extract honey and put into jars
 - **d.** Fall feeding and "taking the hive down" to prepare it for the winter months
- **15.** How do you know when a frame is ready to be removed from the hive for extraction?

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