

Pollinator-themed Holiday Card



Learning Objectives

Students will:

- Create a pollinator-themed holiday card
- Share their knowledge on pollinators in a creative way

Background

Your students can engage with the environment and enhance their art skills this holiday season by creating a DIY pollinator-themed holiday card. This delightful and nature-friendly activity offers a unique way to celebrate the season. Moreover, it provides an opportunity to express gratitude to our pollinating friends by sharing information about them and inspiring friends and family to take action in creating healthy habitats.



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Materials

- **Blank Cards or Cardstock:** There are a few options your students could explore. You can buy pre-made blank cards or cut cardstock to your desired size and fold it in half to create a card.
- **Art Supplies:** Colored pencils, markers, watercolors, or any other preferred art supplies.
- **Images or Stamps of Pollinators:** Look for images or stamps of bees, butterflies, hummingbirds, or other pollinators online or create your own drawings for a unique touch.
- **Nature-themed Stickers:** Enhance your card with nature-themed stickers or washi tape, showcasing your artistic nature and environmental skills.
- **Other materials include glue or double-sided tape for attaching your images or decorations, and scissors for shaping your card with safety precautions in place.**



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Nothing is more exciting than creating something from scratch. Here's a simple guide to help you make your own unique card:

Steps:

- 1. Designing the Front of Your Card:** Use your art supplies to craft a nature-themed backdrop on the card's front, be it a garden, meadow, or any scene that embodies pollinators.
- 2. Add Pollinator Images:** Position your selected pollinator images or stamps on the card's front, arranging them aesthetically. If applicable, neatly cut out printed images. You can also **enhance your cards with nature-themed stickers** like flowers, leaves, or other details, using nature-themed stickers.
- 3. Craft a Greeting:** Pen a heartfelt holiday message inside the card. It could also be a poem. Consider incorporating a playful pun or wordplay related to pollinators for a touch of fun. Propose actions to support these essential creatures.
- 4. Personalize the Envelope:** If mailing the card, consider adorning the envelope. Include a small drawing, sticker, or stamp linked to pollinators or nature.
- 5. Sign and Send:** Sign your beautifully designed card, place it in your envelope, and dispatch it to your intended recipient.

Additional Suggestions: You can explore with diverse art styles and color schemes to impart a distinctive feel to your card. Research the migratory patterns of pollinators and their preferred flowers. Alternatively, include pollinator-themed puzzles within the card. If you possess calligraphy skills, consider incorporating it into the card's greeting.

Teachers can also send Wildlife e-cards on behalf of your class! Visit the [Canadian Wildlife E-cards](#).

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