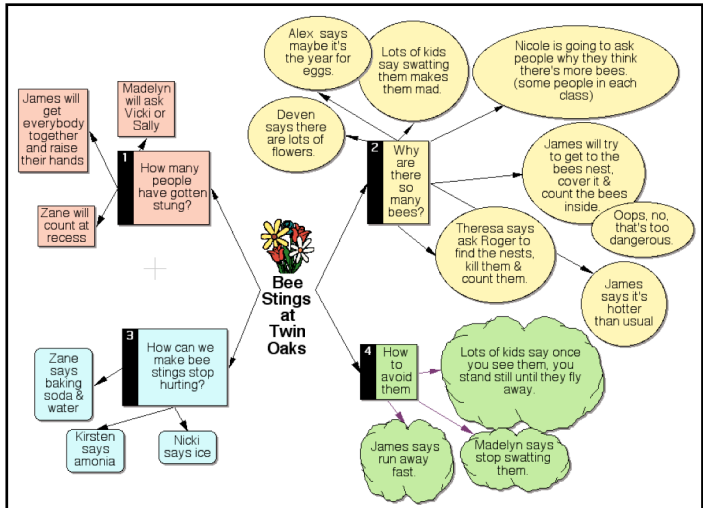
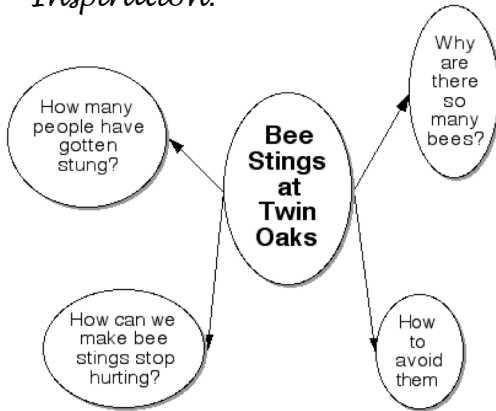




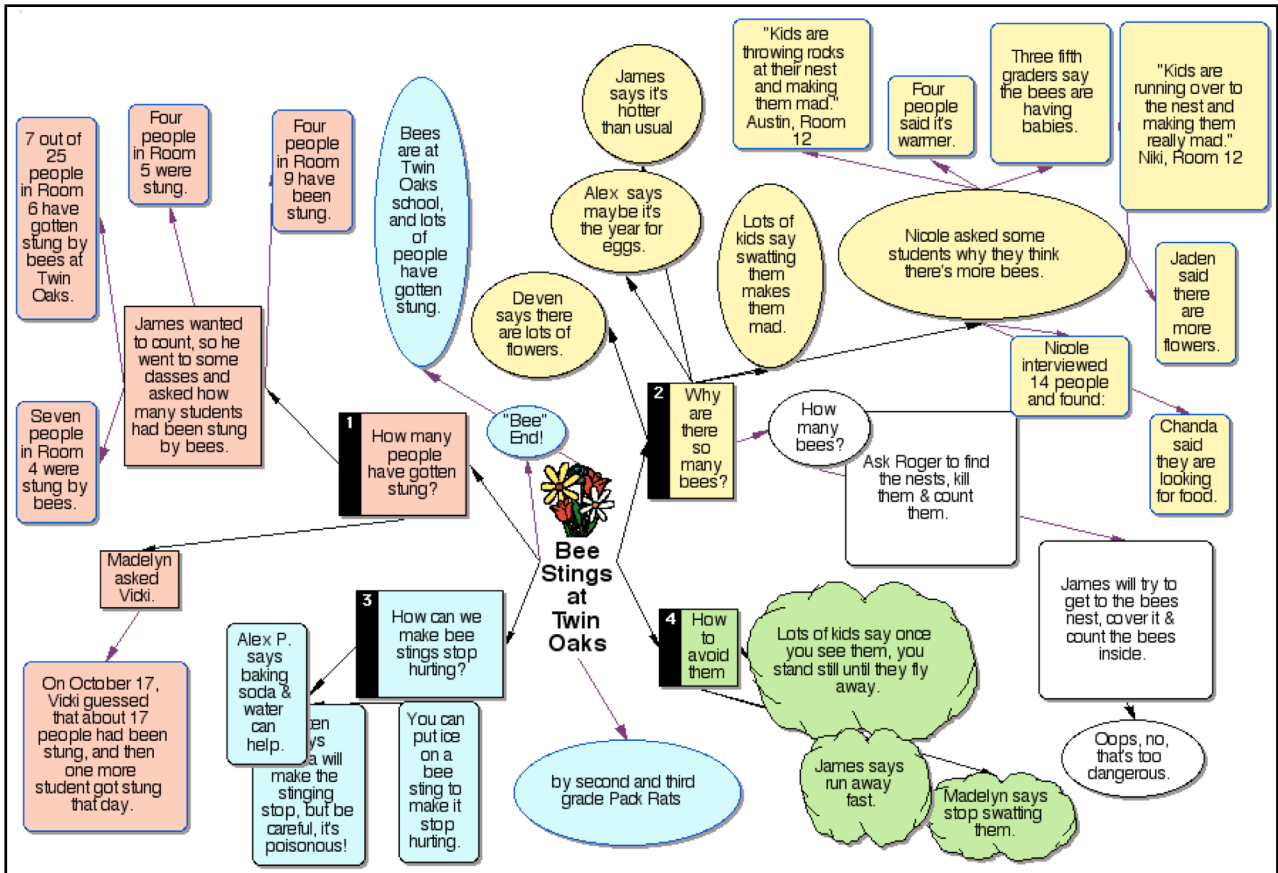
2nd & 3rd Graders Investigate...

In this informal approach, students brainstormed their own strategies for gathering information.

1. Second- & third-grade students choose a current topic and brainstorm their questions in Inspiration.



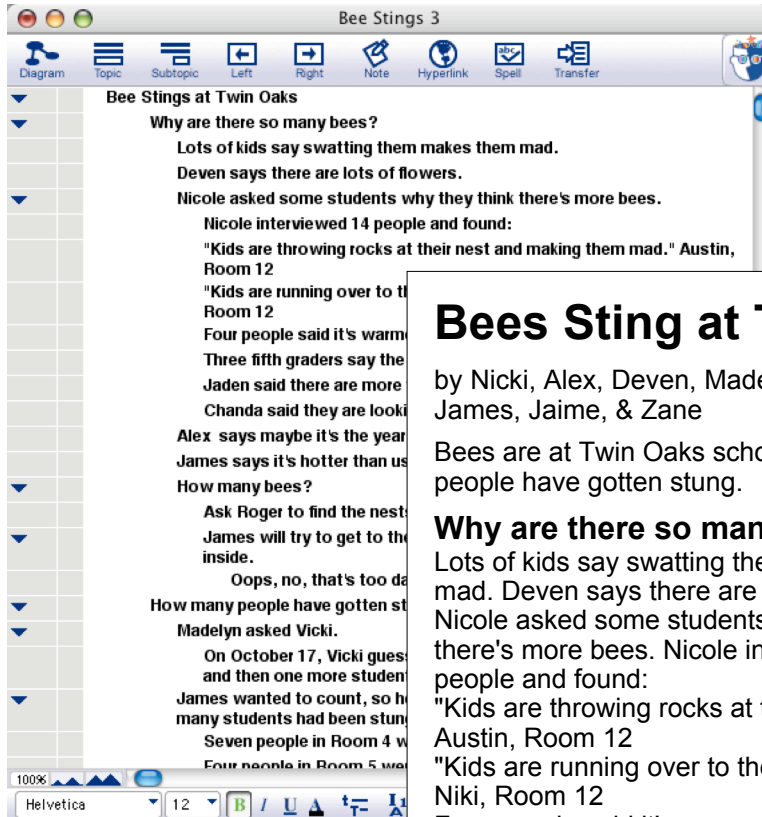
2. Students prioritize the questions and brainstorm possible ways to find answers.



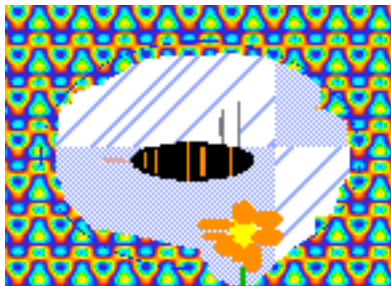
3. Students survey for answers, return with their data and add it to the brainstorm.

Yes
 No

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4. Students switch to Outline View and arrange their sentences in a logical order, adding details as needed, including a by-line and lead sentence.



Madelyn

5. Students transfer their outline to a word processor, add their illustrations (made in Kid Pix), and publish in the school newspaper.

Bees Sting at Twin Oaks

by Nicki, Alex, Deven, Madelyn, Theresa, James, Jaime, & Zane

Bees are at Twin Oaks school, and lots of people have gotten stung.

Why are there so many bees?

Lots of kids say swatting them makes them mad. Deven says there are lots of flowers. Nicole asked some students why they think there's more bees. Nicole interviewed 14 people and found:

"Kids are throwing rocks at their nest and making them mad." Austin, Room 12

"Kids are running over to the nest and making them really mad." Niki, Room 12

Four people said it's warmer. Three fifth graders say the bees are having babies. Jaden said there are more flowers. Chanda said they are looking for food. Alex says maybe it's the year for eggs. James says it's hotter than usual.

How many people have gotten stung?

Madelyn asked Vicki. On October 17, Vicki guessed that about 17 people had been stung, and then one more student got stung that day. James wanted to count, so he went to some classes and asked how many students had been stung by bees. Seven people in Room 4 were stung by bees. Four people in Room 5 were stung. Seven out of 25 people in Room 6 have gotten stung by bees at Twin Oaks. Four people in Room 9 have been stung.

How to avoid them

Lots of kids say once you see them, you stand still until they fly away. Madelyn says stop swatting them. James says run away fast.



Zane

How can we make bee stings stop hurting?

Alex P. says baking soda & water can help. You can put ice on a bee sting to make it stop hurting. Kirsten says amonia will make the stinging stop, but be careful, it's poisonous!

"Bee" End!

