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What's that buzzing around your head? It's a bird, it's a plane, no, waitit's a wasp? This month we'll talk about those pesky, flying, stinging, potentially dangerous annoying insects – but first:

In this month's edition of "Bug Off" we're introducing our first Bug Off Trivia Contest. Just be the first to correctly respond to a question from last month's Bug Off Newsletter and **WIN A PRIZE!** As a bonus, we'll also give a **PRIZE** to the 7th correct responder. What's the **PRIZE?** It could be a weekend cruise for two, or it could be a very cool "BUG OFF" coffee mug as big as your head!! (I'm betting on **Coffee Mug**).

Alright, here's your question:

In last month's Bug Off we talked about mold. Name the one thing that mold needs to grow.

Good luck to all and remember – "Ya Gotta Be In It To Win It!!"



BEEES AND WASPS



What do you do when you get stung by a bee?

Remove the Stinger. Scrape the area with the edge of a credit card or straight edge object to remove it. ...

Wash the site of the **sting** with plain soap and water. Apply a cold compress - ice, frozen peas, or cold cloth to reduce swelling. Offer aspirin or acetaminophen to reduce pain; sprays or creams containing anesthetic and antihistamine are available from pharmacists, as are oral antihistamines for reducing swelling

Do wasps attack you?

Unlike bees, female **wasps** have the ability to sting a target multiple times because their stinger does not fall off after use. ... When a **wasp** stings a human approaching a nest, the small insect simultaneously emits a chemical that signals the rest of the colony to **attack**.

How dangerous is a wasp sting?

Potentially very dangerous but only if **you** have an allergy to their sting, just like honey bees. And assuming those are **wasps** that sting people: many **wasps** have no stingers or venom at all, and are harmless to humans. ... But otherwise, a few **wasp** stings **will not harm you** unless **you** were already sensitive.

The difference between BEES and WASPS...

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<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Pollinates flowers.2. Produces honey.3. Helps the environment.4. Will only sting if provoked.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Basically an a**hole.

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If you become aware of a swarm or nest please notify your public works department.