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The Buzz About Bees

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It is said that if Bees were to suddenly disappear from the earth, a mass extinction would occur. "The Buzz About Bees: Biology of a Superorganism" is a complete and comprehensive study on this fascinating species. Offering his own revolutionary opinion, Tautz does not describe the bee hive as a group of creatures living socially, but instead a single superorganism spread over many bodies. Arguing his unique stance, "The Buzz About Bees" is utterly intriguing and a very high recommendation for both etymologists and non-specialist general readers alike.