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**The Skin of Our  
Teeth** A Study Guide  
for Douglas Carter  
Beane's "As Bees in  
Honey Drown"  
THE STORY: The action  
is set in Truvy's beauty  
salon in Chinquapin,  
Louisiana, where all  
the ladies who are  
anybody come to have

their hair done. Helped  
by her eager new  
assistant, Annelle (who  
is not sure whether or  
not she is still married),  
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QueenSpotting  
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In March 2006 I  
performed my thesis  
role in the production,  
As Bees in Honey  
Drown, directed by Dr.  
Rinda Frye at the  
University of Louisville.  
I played the role of

Alexa Vere de Vere, a role that I did not, until recently, feel equipped to play. In this thesis I will come to terms with a fear that has plagued me for years: stage fright. In doing so, I will review each of the roles I performed throughout my graduate career. I will discuss the way in which each role brought to me a new sense of enlightenment. I will show how through both triumphs and failures I identified my weaknesses. I will present the obstacles I faced with each production and how I was able to use the tools I received through one production and apply them to the next. Finally, I will use all of these attributes in order to show how I successfully played the

role of a lifetime. Beekeeping for All Dramatists Play Service, Inc. What do you do without your best friend? Jamie isn't afraid of anything. Always ready to get into trouble, then right back out of it, he's a fun and exasperating best friend. But when something terrible happens to Jamie, his best friend has to face the tragedy alone. Without Jamie, there are so many impossible questions to answer -- how can your best friend be gone forever? How can some things, like playing games in the sun or the taste of the blackberries that Jamie loved, go on without him? *Theatre World 1997-1998* Storey Publishing, LLC From the author of As

Bees in Honey Drown and The Little Dog Laughed, this delightfully au courant comedy gives us Missy, an avant-garde video artist, who entertains herself re-editing her family's home movies to unsavory effect. Successful and happily ensconced in an affair with married businessman "Suit," Missy's love life is suddenly complicated by the appearance of "Brat," the actor/new love of her best gay friend, "Spaz."

*Collaboration in Theatre* Dramatists Play Service Inc

THE STORY: Meet gossip columnists Mr. and Mrs. Fitch. When the social circuit no longer provides juicy morsels, when the pressure to create news in our never-ending news cycle

becomes just a bit much, it's time to toss back the martinis, toss around

Under 30 Dramatists Play Service, Inc.

THE STORY: Franz Kafka's undiscovered masterpiece in its Broadway premiere is the hilarious and apropos setting for Theresa Rebeck's exploration of the existential vagaries of show business and life. Charged with running the understudy rehearsal fo

*Alice Bliss* Springer

Shifting back and forth between the past and the present, this harrowing novel follows two friends who have long since lost touch as they come back together and relive a shattering betrayal from their childhood. By the author of *The Greenhouse Effect*.

Reprint.

**Wait Until Dark**

Penguin

Four beautiful, badass women lose their heads in this irreverent, girl-powered comedy set during the French Revolution's Reign of Terror. Playwright Olympe de Gouges, assassin Charlotte Corday, former queen (and fan of ribbons) Marie Antoinette, and Haitian rebel Marianne Angelle hang out, murder Marat, and try to beat back the extremist insanity in 1793 Paris. This grand and dream-tweaked comedy is about violence and legacy, art and activism, feminism and terrorism, compatriots and chosen sisters, and how we actually go about changing the world. It's a true story.

Or total fiction. Or a play about a play. Or a raucous resurrection...that ends in a song and a scaffold.

*The Richard Peabody Reader* Gale, Cengage Learning

A man shares a bowl of berries, and a young woman falls in love. A world away, a mother prepares a bowl of soup to keep her son from leaving home.

And a son cooks a meal for his dying father to say everything that words can't. In this poignant and lyrical play, the making of a perfect meal is an expression more precise than language, and the medium through which life gradually reveals itself.

*The Advocate*  
Macmillan

THE STORY: Whatever became of Tamara

Tomorrow? In the early seventies, this local television host, in her antennae and space suit, made cheery predictions of how exciting the future was going to be. Her sudden disappearance from the public eye was

*The Honey Bus*

Harlequin

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- From the bestselling author of *The Night Circus*, a timeless love story set in a secret underground world—a place of pirates, painters, lovers, liars, and ships that sail upon a starless sea. Zachary Ezra Rawlins is a graduate student in Vermont when he discovers a mysterious book hidden in the stacks. As he turns the pages, entranced by tales of lovelorn prisoners, key

collectors, and nameless acolytes, he reads something strange: a story from his own childhood. Bewildered by this inexplicable book and desperate to make sense of how his own life came to be recorded, Zachary uncovers a series of clues—a bee, a key, and a sword—that lead him to a masquerade party in New York, to a secret club, and through a doorway to an ancient library hidden far below the surface of the earth. What Zachary finds in this curious place is more than just a buried home for books and their guardians—it is a place of lost cities and seas, lovers who pass notes under doors and across time, and of stories whispered by the dead. Zachary

learns of those who have sacrificed much to protect this realm, relinquishing their sight and their tongues to preserve this archive, and also of those who are intent on its destruction. Together with Mirabel, a fierce, pink-haired protector of the place, and Dorian, a handsome, barefoot man with shifting alliances, Zachary travels the twisting tunnels, darkened stairwells, crowded ballrooms, and sweetly soaked shores of this magical world, discovering his purpose—in both the mysterious book and in his own life.

**Aubergine** Dramatists Play Service, Inc. This lavishly illustrated catalogue accompanies Rochester's Memorial Art Gallery's exhibition

of the same name, the first major assemblage of objects produced at the Roycroft community in upstate New York under the leadership of the charismatic Elbert Hubbard. A consummate entrepreneur, Hubbard successfully married capitalism with basic tenets of the Arts and Crafts ideology; the Roycrofters sought to personify the best aspects of the American character in their work, which is strong, spare and often surprisingly refined. Most of the 200 works in the exhibition are pictured, with colour photographs of the personalities and places figuring in the Roycroft's peculiar history bringing the community vividly to life. Essays in the

catalogue include a sociological overview anchoring the Roycroft in its turn-of-the-century milieu; an examination of the history of the Roycroft shops; and an exploration of Hubbard's role in the creation of America's consumer culture through his trademark brand of advertising and promotion.

[An Almost Holy Picture](#)

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[Drown](#) University

Rochester Press

Features a comprehensive guide to American dramatic literature, from its

origins in the early days of the nation to the groundbreaking works of today's best writers.

[Mother of the Maid](#)

Dramatist's Play

Service

At the heart of every bee hive is a queen bee. Since her well-being is linked to the well-being of the entire colony, the ability to find her among the residents of the hive is an essential beekeeping skill. In QueenSpotting, experienced beekeeper and professional "swarm catcher" Hilary Kearney challenges readers to "spot the queen" with 48 fold-out queenspotting puzzles — vivid up-close photos of the queen hidden among her many subjects. QueenSpotting celebrates the unique,



fascinating life of the queen bee chronicles of royal hive happenings such as *The Virgin Death Match*, *The Nuptial Flight* — when the queen mates with a cloud of male drones high in the air — and the dramatic *Exodus of the Swarm* from the hive. Readers will thrill at Kearney's adventures in capturing these swarms from the strange places they settle, including a Jet Ski, a couch, a speed boat, and an owl's nesting box. Fascinating, fun, and instructive, backyard beekeepers and nature lovers alike will find reason to return to the pages again and again. *The Nance* Santa Fe Writer's Project Filling an important gap in the literary

world, *The Richard Peabody Reader* is a wide-ranging selection of this great writer's poetry and prose. As a publisher, Peabody's steadfast dedication to that which is new, challenging, innovative, and dynamic has won him a wide reputation among writers whose work he has championed. This volume demonstrates those same values, embodied in nearly four decades of fiercely smart, sophisticated, and often very funny writing. From his first collection of poems, *I'm in Love with the Morton Salt Girl*, to his most recent collection of short stories, *Blue Suburban Skies*, Peabody has established and developed a thoroughly unique voice, both warm and

piercing, to deliver content that ranges from the hilarious, as in the short story "Flea Wars," to the bittersweet, as in the poem "The Other Man is Always French," to the elegiac, as in the poem in "Civil War Pieta," to the absurd, as in the rollicking farce of the short story, "Bad Day at Ikea." Peabody's aesthetic is all-embracing—strands of punk, beat, experimental, feminist, and political protest literary influences blend with the purely romantic to create a body of work that is both profound and pleasing.

Longing to Drown

Pickle Partners  
Publishing  
A Study Guide for  
Douglas Carter Beane's  
"As Bees in Honey  
Drown," excerpted

from Gale's acclaimed  
Drama For Students.  
This concise study  
guide includes plot  
summary; character  
analysis; author  
biography; study  
questions; historical  
context; suggestions  
for further reading; and  
much more. For any  
literature project, trust  
Drama For Students for  
all of your research  
needs.

**The Little Dog**

**Laughed** Samuel

French, Inc.

THE STORY: In the  
1930s, burlesque  
impresarios welcomed  
the hilarious comics  
and musical parodies  
of vaudeville to their  
decidedly lowbrow  
niche. A headliner  
called "the  
nance"—usually played  
by a straight man—was  
a stereotypically camp  
homosexual and  
master of comic double

entendre. THE NANCE recreates the naughty, raucous world of burlesque's heyday and tells the backstage story of Chauncey Miles and his fellow performers. At a time when it was easy to play gay and dangerous to be gay, Chauncey's uproarious antics on the stage stand out in marked contrast to his offstage life.

### **As Bees in Honey**

**Drown** Anchor

Collects plays featuring principal casts under thirty years of age and

with contributions from such authors as Sam Shepard, Warren Leight, Kenneth Lonergan, Lynda Barry, Mark O'Donnell, Kia Corthron, and Christopher Shinn.

### **As Bees in Honey**

**Drown** Harper Collins

THE STORY: Yes, we love the cinema for its great auteurs, its glorious faces and its daring images. But in this tabloid age where big stars go on Oprah and jump around like heartsick schoolboys, what we really love is all that dish! The play

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