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Welcome to Our Musical Trip!

Welcome Musical Explorers!
I'm your conductor, and I'll help
you explore our musical city.
Together, we'll meet our singers
and hear their songs and stories.
Come along with me and make
your discoveries!



Carnegie Hall Musical Explorers Song

Music and Lyrics by Daniel Levy

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EV' - RY SONG _____ TELLS A STO - RY _____ EV' - RY TUNE _____

TELLS A TALE. _____ EV' - RY RHY - THM _____ HAS A REA -

SON _____ DON'T YOU WANT TO KNOW? _____ DON'T YOU WANT _____ TO KNOW _____ WHAT

MAKES THE MU - SIC GO? _____ COME A-LONG _____ AND SEE _____ MAKE YOUR DIS-CO-VER-Y: _____ I CAN

SING IT I CAN SAY IT I CAN DANCE IT I CAN PLAY IT I CAN SING IT I CAN

SAY IT I CAN DANCE IT I CAN PLAY IT I CAN GO _____ EX-PLORE _____ THE

WORLD OF MU - SIC AT _____ MY DOOR _____ MY CI-TY AND _____ MY NEIGH - BOR - HOOD _____

SINGIN' SONGS _____ AND FEEL - IN' GOOD _____ I CAN KNOW _____ WHAT MAKES _____ THE MU - SIC GROW ...

I CAN KNOW _____ WHAT MAKES _____ THE MU - SIC GO! _____



I can sing it!



I can say it!



I can dance it!



I can play it!

Exploring Patterns

What patterns do you see in these images? How do you know it's a pattern?



Draw other patterns you see in your school or classroom.



Vibrations Feel Wiggly!

The wiggles are called vibrations, which cause sounds. Show where you feel the vibrations by circling the areas that would wiggle on the Conductor when she sings.



Find Joe's Neighborhood

It's time for us to begin our musical trip! Find Park Slope, Brooklyn, where Joe lives, on the map below. Then complete the activity to start our journey. Let's go!

Y	B	H	M	M	S	J	F	B	P
P	J	D	S	C	U	R	J	A	S
Z	O	X	I	I	T	S	T	Q	S
V	E	R	S	E	L	T	I	E	U
M	Y	S	W	E	E	G	N	C	R
L	V	K	V	R	D	N	N	T	O
H	S	I	N	A	P	S	T	E	H
W	I	X	X	S	A	G	U	N	C
G	T	Z	A	Y	K	F	E	G	N
Z	V	P	Q	D	S	A	P	Z	K

CHORUS

JOE

MUSIC

SPANISH

ENGLISH

LYRICS

PATTERN

VERSE

Meet Joe!



GREETINGS FROM PARK SLOPE

Dear Musical Explorers,
 Hi from Park Slope, Brooklyn!
 I come from a big family, and my
 brothers, sisters, and parents all
 enjoy singing. When I was a boy,
 we would sing lots of Irish and
 American folk songs together as a
 family. I also loved music class!
 My elementary school music teacher
 taught me lots of songs. What are
 your favorite songs to sing in school?
 When you come to Carnegie Hall,
 I will be singing some songs that
 I love. Let me know which songs
 you like the best!

Sincerely,
 Joe



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Can you find the places mentioned in “This Land is Your Land”?



“This Land is Your Land” by Woody Guthrie

Verse

• • •	— —	• • •	— —
As I was	walk - ing	that rib-bon of	high - way
• • •	— —	• • •	— —
I saw a-	bove me	that end-less	sky - way
• • •	— —	• • •	— —
I saw be-	low me	that gol-den	va - lley
• — •	— • • •	—	
This land was	made for you and	me	

Chorus

• • •	— —	• • •	— —
This land is	your land	this land is	my land
• • •	— —	• • •	— —
From Cal-i	forn - ia	to the New York	is - land
• • •	— —	• • •	— —
From the red-wood	for - est	to the Gulf Stream	wa - ters
• — •	— • • •	—	
This land was	made for you and	me	

“This Town is Your Town”

Create new lyrics for a song about neighborhoods in New York City.

Verse

As I was walking

I saw a _____

I saw a _____

This town was made for you and me.

Chorus

This town is your town,
This town is my town
From the top of uptown

To the bottom of downtown
From the Inwood forest
To the harbor waters
This town was made for you and me.

Find Rolando's Neighborhood

Find Joe in Park Slope, Brooklyn, on the map. In the maze below, draw the path to Rolando in Fordam, Bronx. Let's go!

BRONX

Fordam

MANHATTAN

QUEENS

Park Slope

BROOKLYN

Rolando

Joe

Meet Rolando!

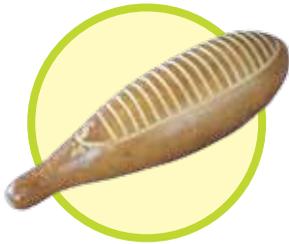


Dear Musical Explorers,
 My name is Rolando and I am from Cuba. Now I live in Fordham, in the Bronx. When I was growing up, music making was important to my family. As a child, my favorite hobbies were listening to music and playing ball. Now I enjoy being the lead singer of a musical group called Son de Madre. I look forward to meeting all of you at Carnegie Hall for some musical exploration!

Sincerely,
 Rolando

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Rhythmic Patterns in “Son de la Loma”



Guiro

—	••	—	••	—	••	—	••
ta	ti-ti	ta	ti-ti	ta	ti-ti	ta	ti-ti
1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4



Congas

*	+	▲	+	*	+	■	■	*	+	▲	+	*	+	■	■
ta	pa	TA	pa	ta	pa	go	go	ta	pa	TA	pa	ta	pa	go	go
1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4



Claves

	●	●		●	●	●	
	clap	clap		clap	clap	clap	
1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4

Find Magda's Neighborhood

Find Rolando in Fordham, Bronx, on the map. Next, find Magda in Astoria, Queens. Complete the activity to continue our journey. Let's go!



Rolando

Fordham

BRONX

MANHATTAN

Astoria

QUEENS

Magda

Rolando is from: **C _ B _**

Rolando plays an instrument called: **_ U I _ O**

We learned to play in rhythmic: **L _ _ E R _**

BROOKLYN

Meet Magda!

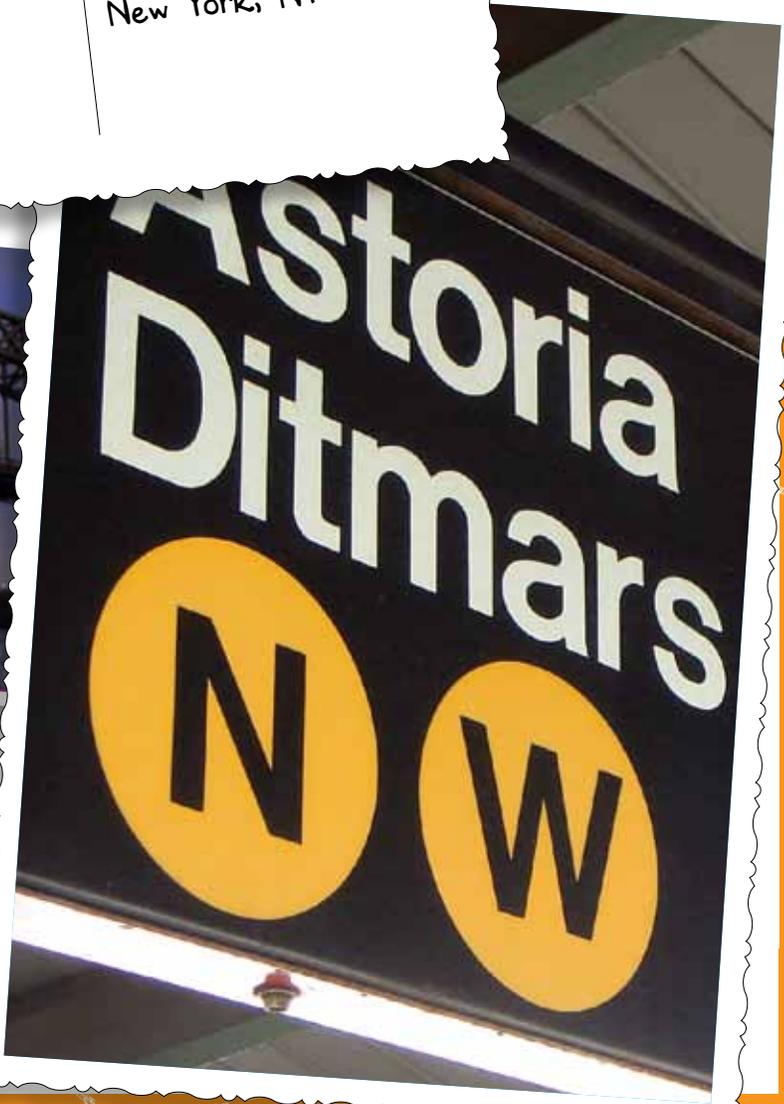
Dear Musical Explorers,

Welcome to Astoria, Queens! I grew up in Greece, where I would swim every day and spend hours and hours playing the piano and singing! When I came to New York, I was so inspired by all the different cultures and styles of music that one can listen to! I started playing my grandmother's accordion and tried to sing in as many languages as I could. My bandmates—Marcelo, Ignacio, and Petros—and I are so excited to see you all at Carnegie Hall and experience the songs, dance, and language of my country together. We cannot wait to meet all of you.

Your friend,
Magda



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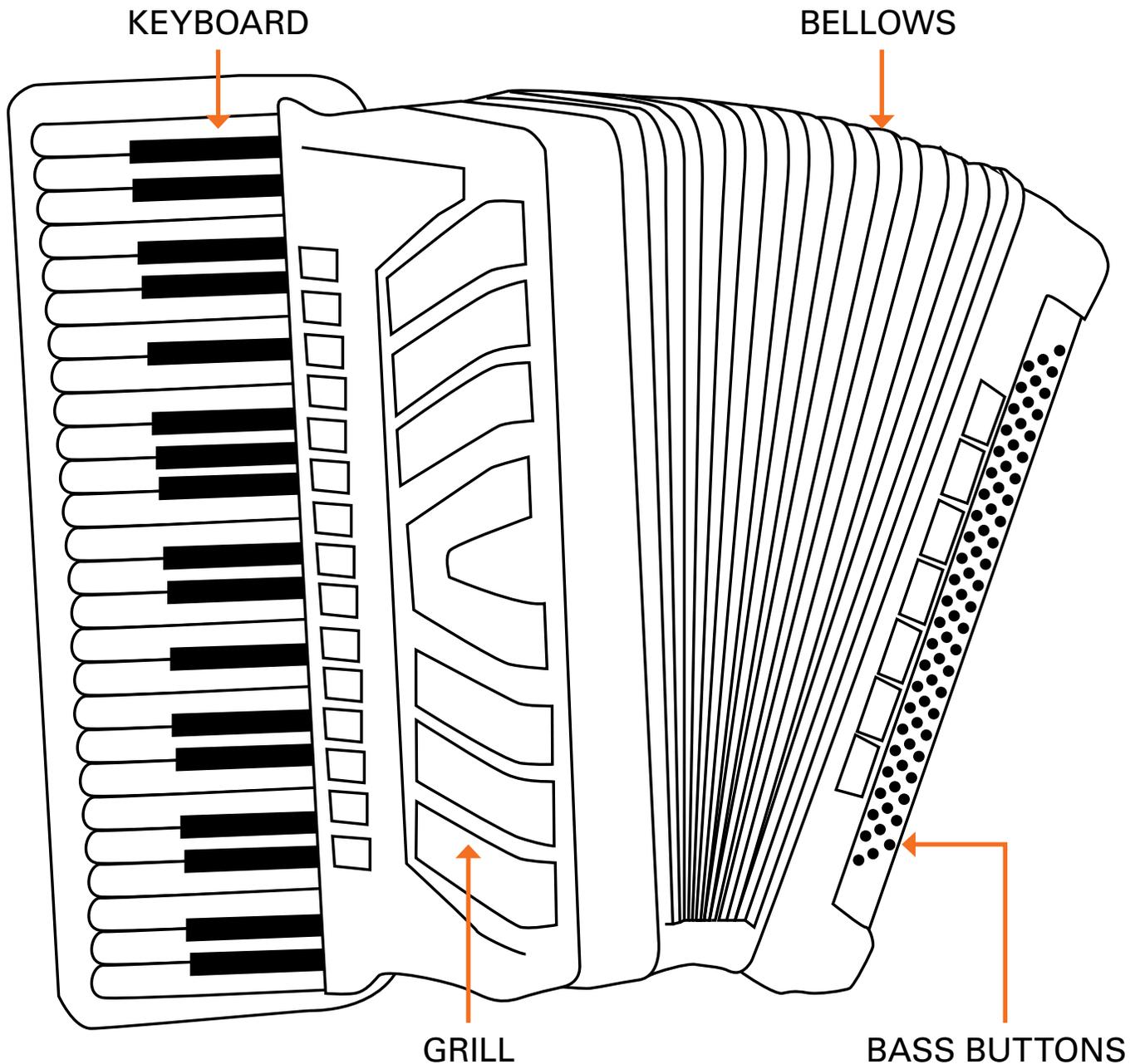
My Sound Patterns

Make your own sound patterns using nonsense syllables like "tik" and "tak."



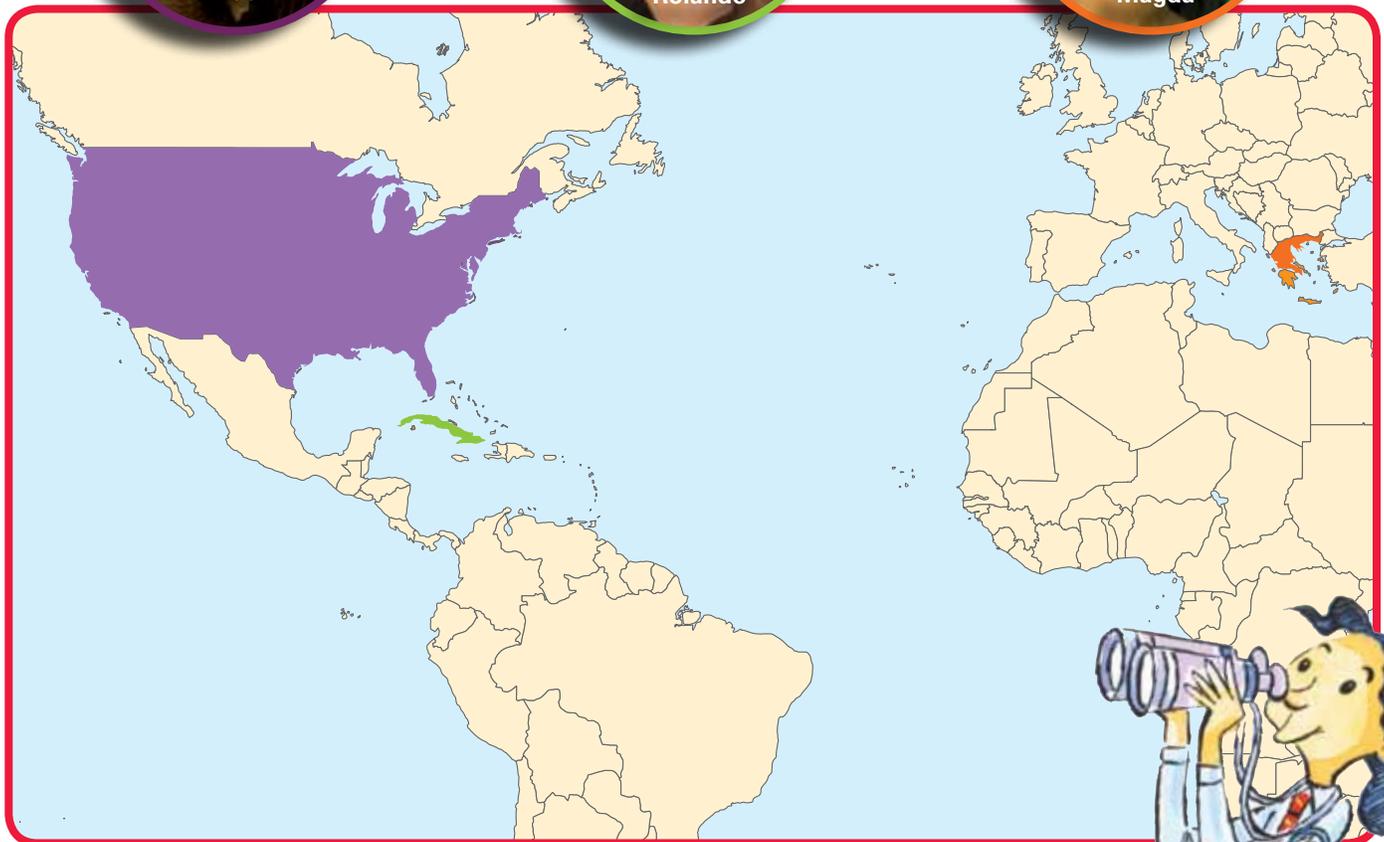
The Accordion

The accordion is a box-shaped musical instrument and is sometimes called a squeezebox. The instrument is played by pushing and pulling apart the bellows while pressing buttons or keys. The performer usually plays the melody on the keyboard and the accompaniment on the bass buttons.



Where are the countries that we have learned about?

The artists came from different places but now live in New York City—just like you!



BRONX

Fordham



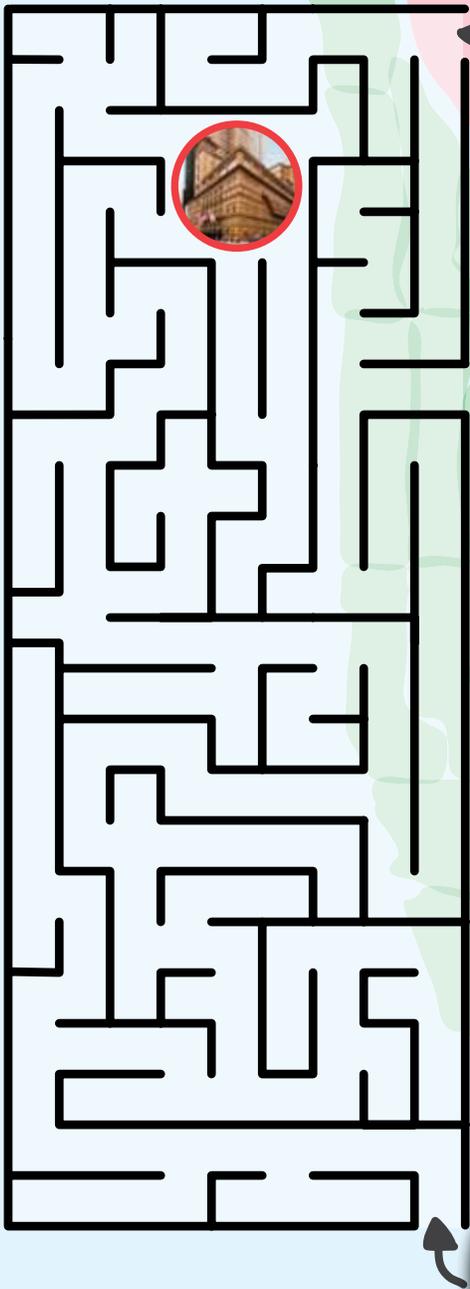
QUEENS



Astoria

Find Carnegie Hall

Find Joe in Park Slope, Brooklyn; Rolando in Fordham, Bronx; and Magda in Astoria, Queens. In the maze, draw the path from each of them to Carnegie Hall in Manhattan. Let's go!



Park Slope



BROOKLYN

What did you see and hear at Carnegie Hall?

Draw pictures of your trip to Carnegie Hall below.



Who is your favorite artist?

Write a letter to your favorite Musical Explorers artist. Be sure to include your favorite part of the concert and your favorite song from the concert.

Dear _____,

Your friend,



Find Fang Tao's Neighborhood

It's time for the next stop on our trip! Find Carnegie Hall on the map and then find Fang Tao in Flushing, Queens. Then, complete the activity to continue our journey. Let's go!



Carnegie Hall

Flushing



Fang Tao

QUEENS

MANHATTAN

BROOKLYN

U	M	N	G	T	C	E	O	C	P
J	U	A	R	H	S	U	D	O	R
R	S	A	G	E	Q	H	N	N	P
N	T	M	N	D	X	L	A	G	O
A	B	I	J	U	A	E	L	A	K
D	H	E	F	W	F	A	O	S	O
C	L	A	Y	E	R	S	R	V	G
A	R	E	P	O	G	T	E	D	W
Z	Z	H	B	U	T	R	G	O	P
H	I	R	D	Q	Z	A	P	A	J

CHINESE
JOE
MAGDA

CONGA
LAYERS
OPERA



Meet Fang Tao!



Greetings from
Flushing

Main St Station
7



Dear Musical Explorers,
Hello from Flushing, Queens! I am originally from Chengdu, China, where panda bears live. I started singing as a little girl while my mother played the piano. I also love math, reading, painting, dancing, and playing ping-pong. I studied opera for many years in my home country, and I love singing this traditional music. There are many melodies and movements in Chinese music. I can't wait to share some of them with you! After the concert, please write to me and tell me what your favorite song was!

Your friend,
Fang Tao



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Chinese Opera Hand Movements



Open Gate



Closed Gate

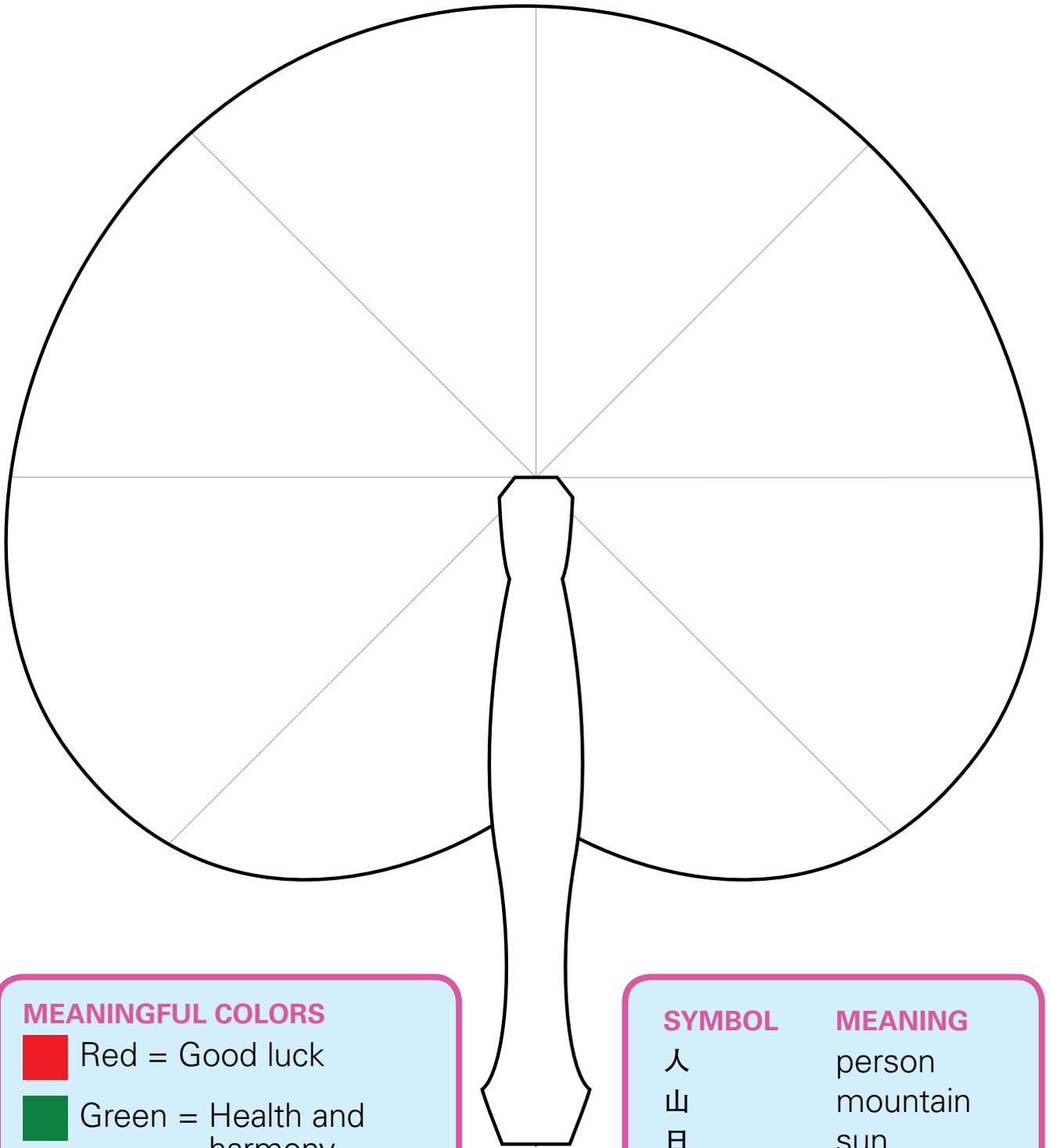


Orchid Fingers



Hidden Dragon

My Chinese Fan



MEANINGFUL COLORS



Red = Good luck



Green = Health and harmony



Yellow = Royalty

SYMBOL

人

山

日

⊕

音乐

MEANING

person

mountain

sun

long life

music

My Scene from “Xia Shan”

What does the scene look like in your imagination?



Find Nate's Neighborhood

Find Fang Tao in Flushing, Queens, on the map. In the maze below, draw the path to Nate in Times Square, Manhattan. Let's go!

MANHATTAN

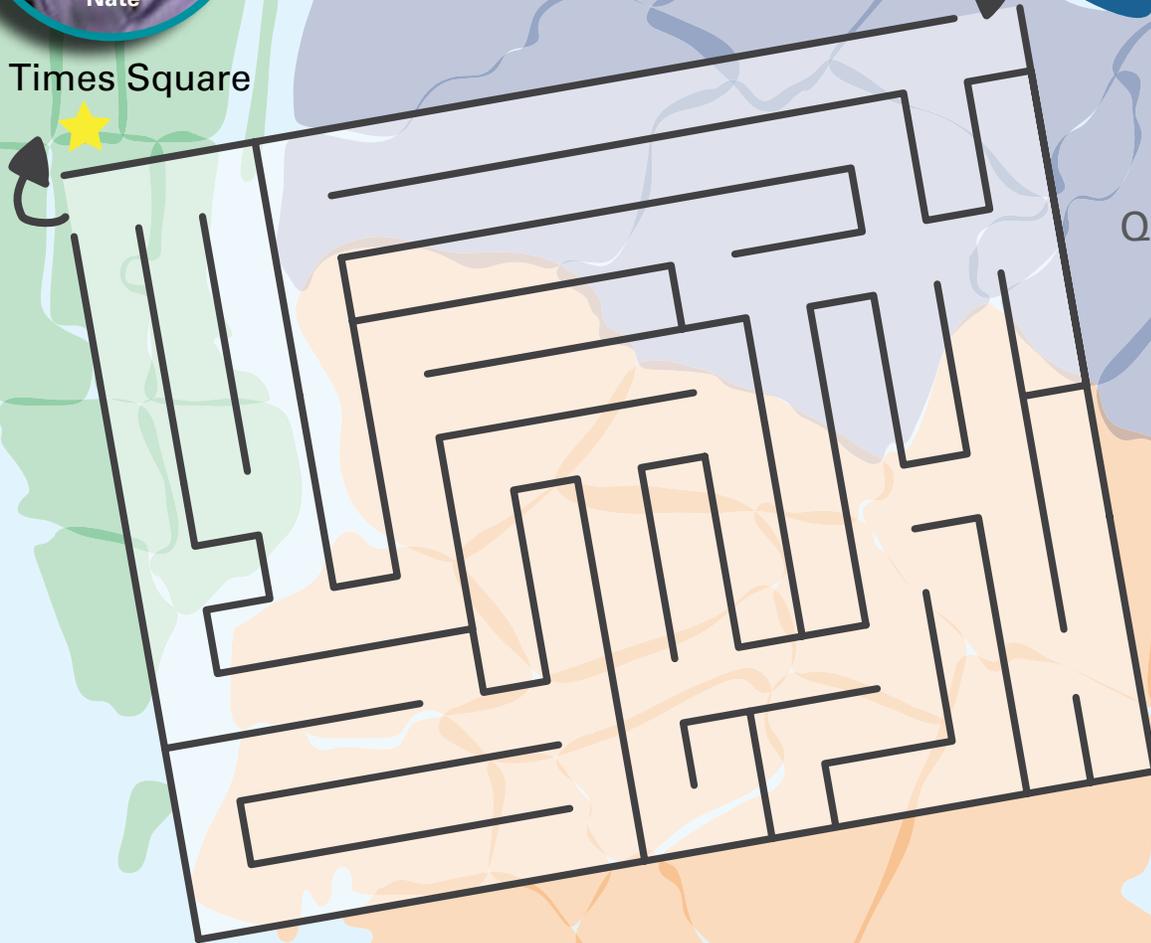


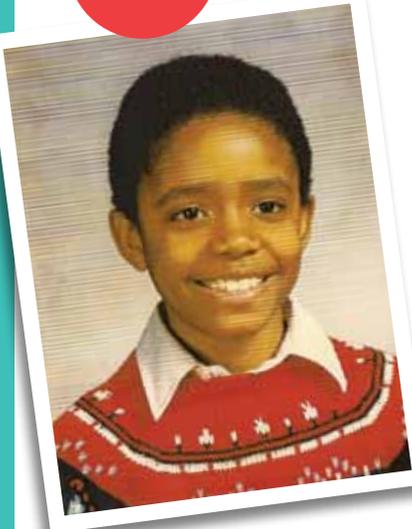
Times Square

Flushing



QUEENS





Meet Nathaniel!

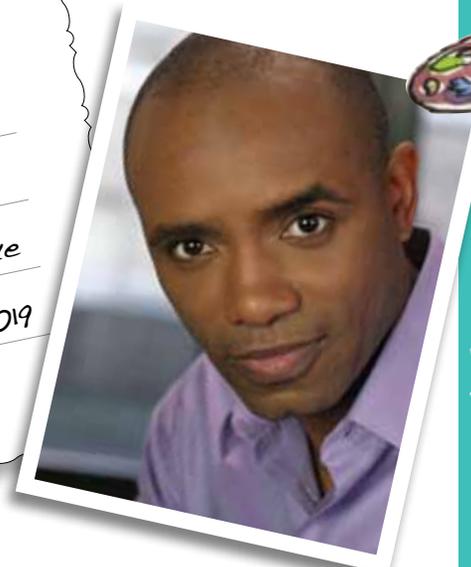


Dear Musical Explorers,
 Welcome to the Theater District
 of New York City! I was born in
 California and grew up in Wisconsin.
 I perform several times each week
 on Broadway. I love singing many
 types of music, including opera
 and gospel. I am the oldest of
 five children and we grew up singing
 together as a family. Have fun
 exploring the music of Broadway.
 I will see you at Carnegie Hall soon!

Sincerely,
 Nathaniel



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My Scene from “Oh, What a Beautiful Morning”

Draw a picture of Curly singing “Oh, What a Beautiful Morning.”



Find Falu's Neighborhood

Find Nate in Times Square, Manhattan. Next, find Falu in Little India, Manhattan. Complete the activity to take us from Nate to Falu. Let's go!



Nate

★ Times Square



Little India ★



Nate sings on: **B _ O A _ W _ _**

In musicals, the characters perform in **S C _ N _ _**

In Mary Poppins, Bert is a

C H _ M _ E Y _ W _ _ P

Meet Falu!



Falu



Greetings from Little India, Manhattan



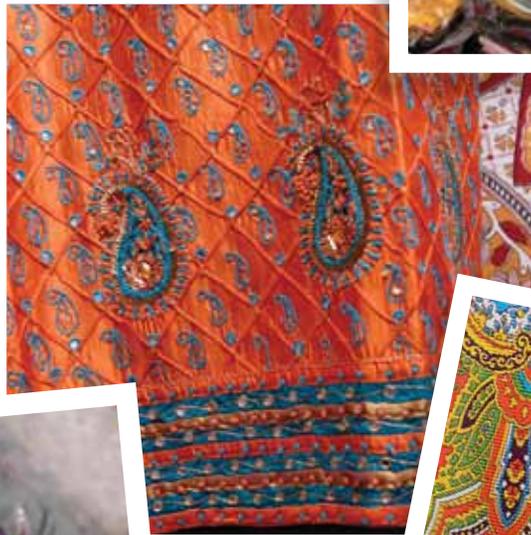
Dear Musical Explorers,
Greetings from Little India!
Music has always been a way
of life in my family. Both my
mother and grandmother were
singers. While growing up, I
would sing for fun. I went
to college to study Indian
classical music, and there
I met my husband Gaurav.
Today we make music together
all over New York City.
Your friend,
Falu



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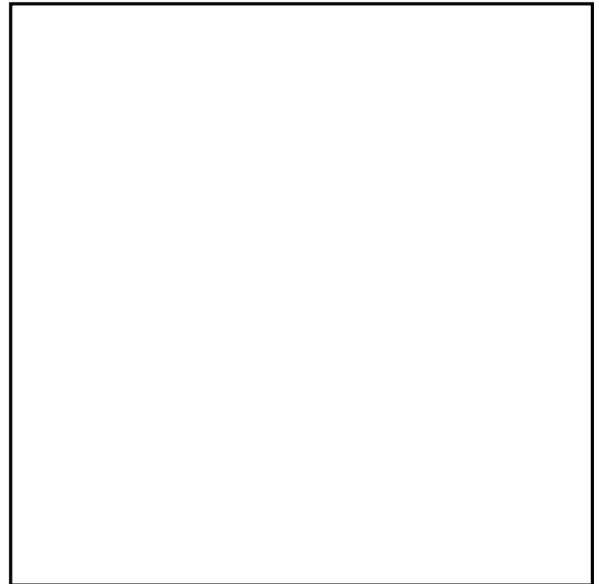
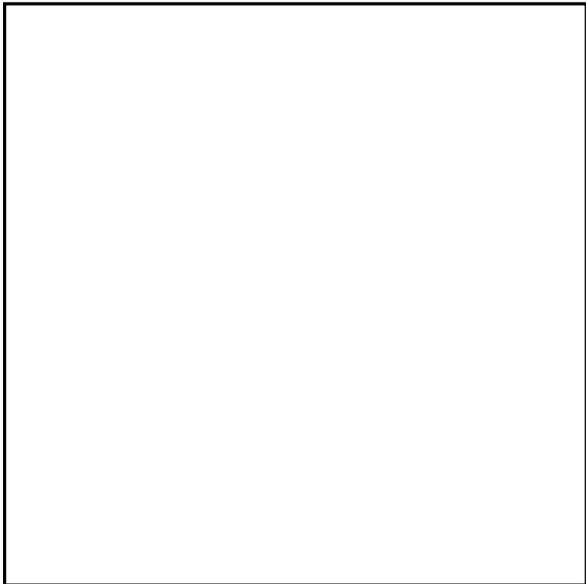
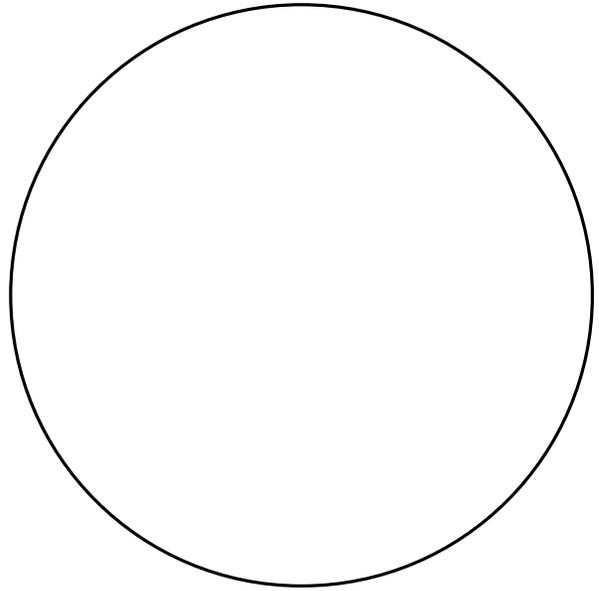
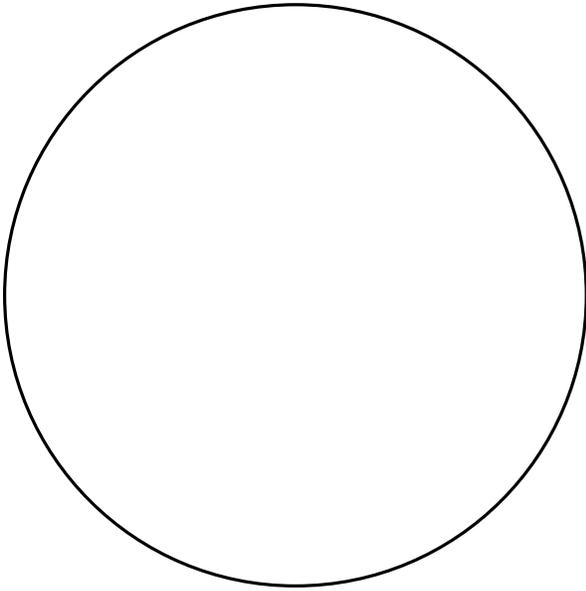
Indian Fabrics

Here are beautiful fabrics from India. What do you notice in these pictures?



My Ornamentation

Decorate the plain shapes below by ornamenting them with other shapes, patterns, and colors.



Five-Note Scales



Let's practice the five-note scale below.

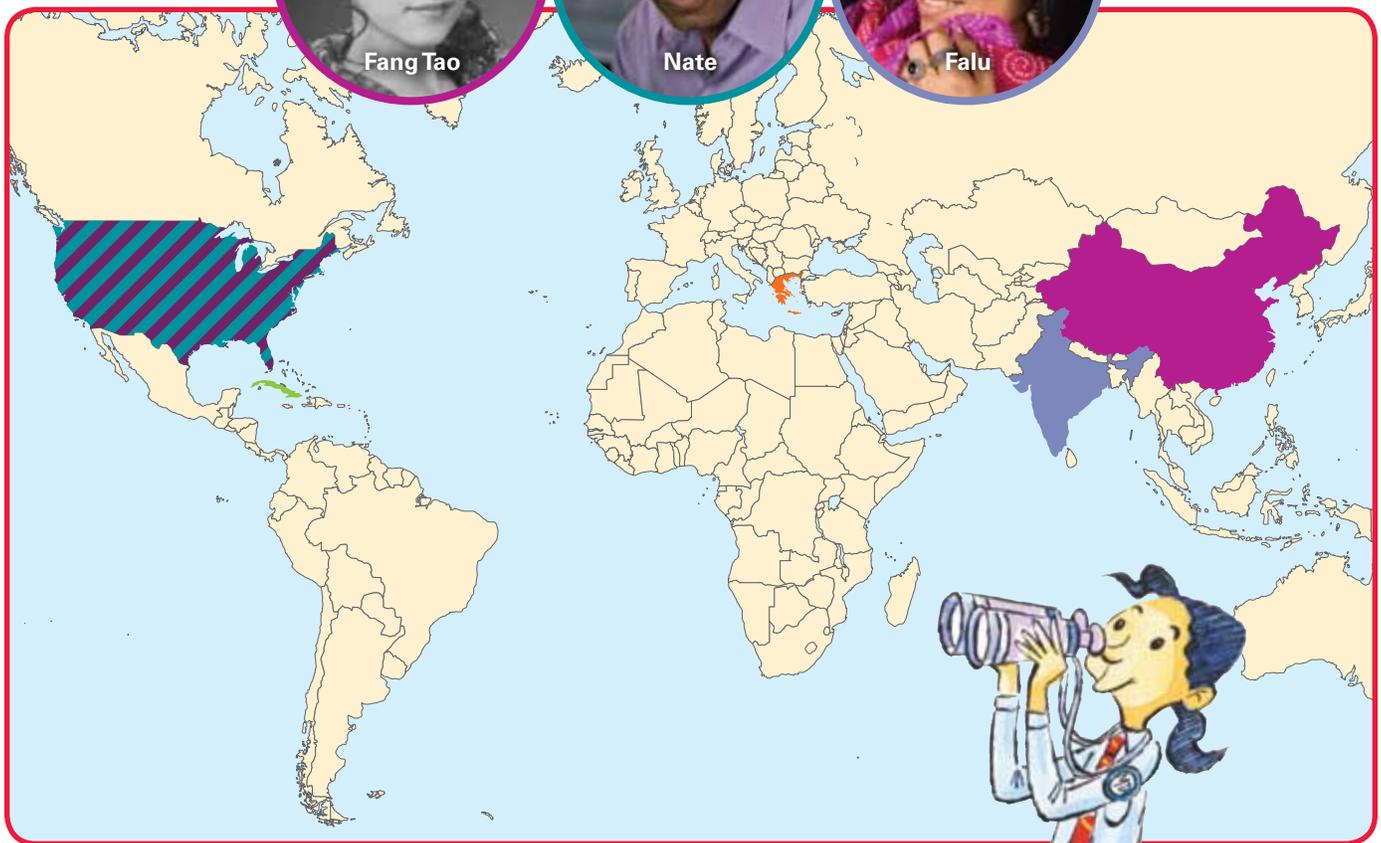


In India, musicians also use five-note scales.
Let's practice the one below:



Where are the countries that we have learned about?

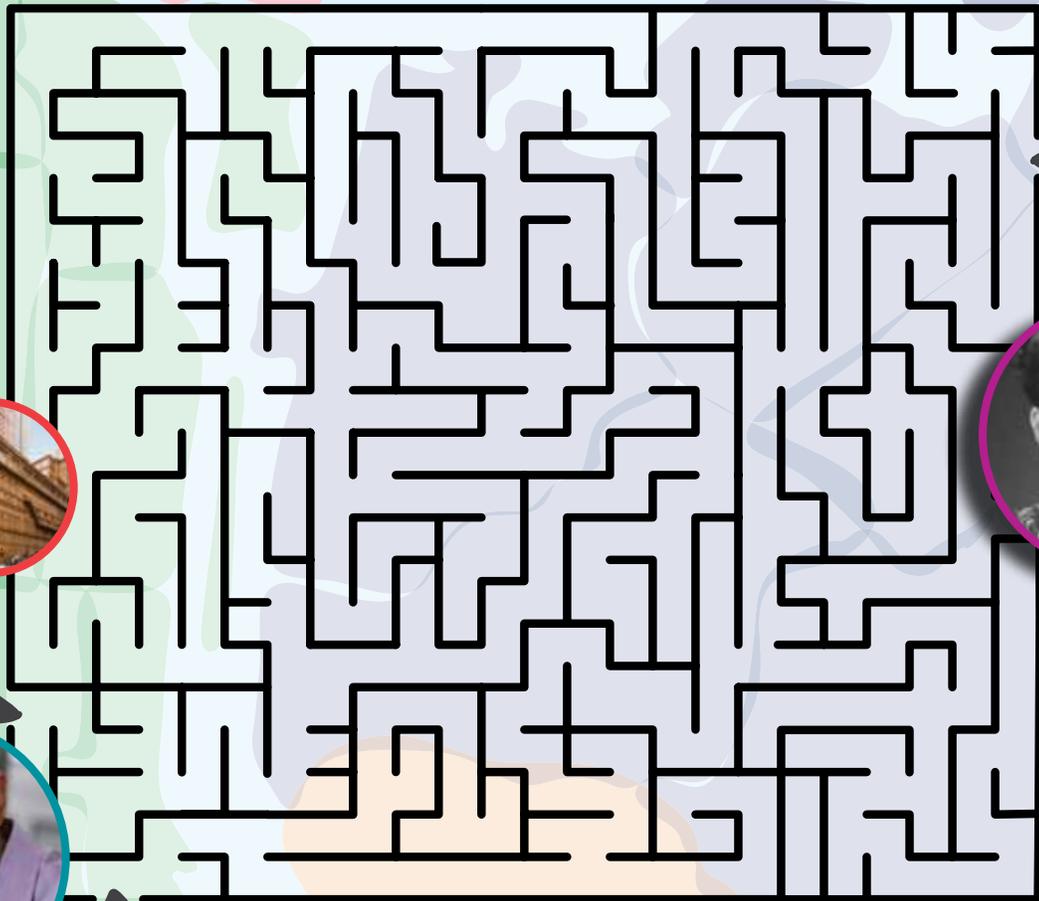
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BRONX



Flushing



Fang Tao



Times Square



Nate



Little India



Falu

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Dear _____,

Your friend,



Appendix

Glossary

accordion: a portable, box-shaped musical instrument that is played by pushing and pulling apart bellows while pressing buttons or keys.

bilingual: singing or speaking in two languages

cha-cha: a rhythmic dance from Latin America that involves small steps and swaying

character: a person that is represented in a play or musical

Chinese opera: a dramatic musical form that originated in Beijing, China, and includes singing, dancing, acrobatics, and pantomime

chorus: a repeating musical section in a song

claves: a pair of wooden sticks that are struck together to accompany music and dancing

congas: Cuban drums played with the hands

decoration: something added to make an item more beautiful or more fancy

explorers: people who uses their senses to learn about something

guiro: a Latin American percussion instrument made of a hollow gourd with a grooved surface that is scraped with a stick

hum: to sing without opening one's lips

improvise: to make up music on the spot

lyrics: the words in a song

melody: the main tune in a piece of music

musical: a play with musical songs

ornamentation: making something fancier in music; decoration

pantomime: a play or song that is expressed with gestures

pattern: a distinct arrangement of visual designs or sounds (often repeating)

scale: a pattern of musical notes

scene: a part of a play or musical where actions take place between the characters

rhythmic layers: different rhythmic patterns that are played at the same time

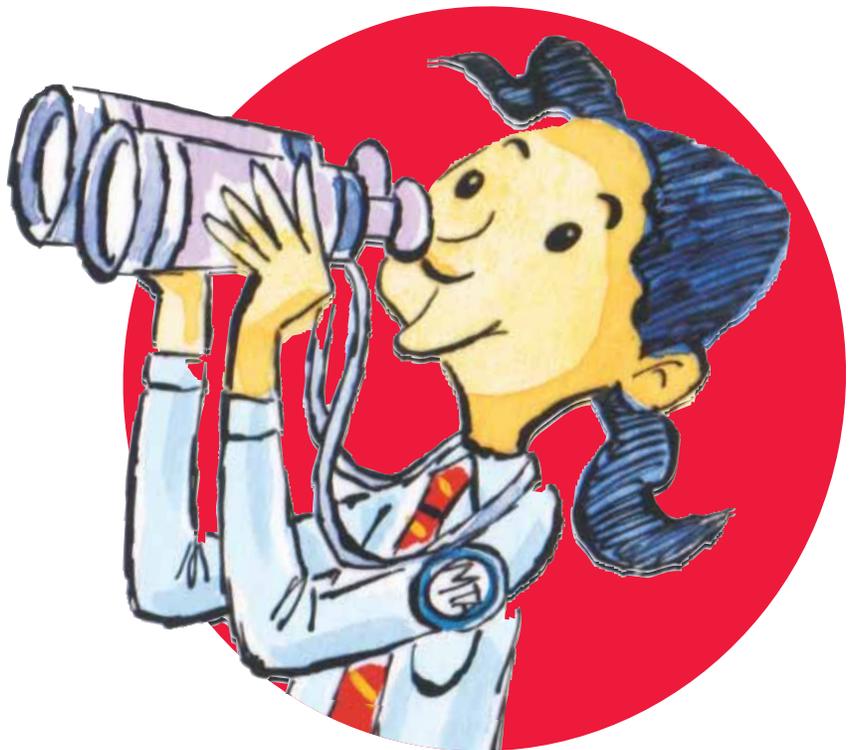
verse: the music that alternates with the chorus in a song

vibration: the movement of air

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