

Teacher Guide 4.1: *Gia Genius Hears Boston*

Decodability	95%
Letter-Sound Focus	CVCe
Foundations Alignment	Unit 11, Week 2
Trick Words and other High Frequency Words	None, done, one, two
Vocabulary and Challenge Words	Genius, scientist(s), because, question(s), answer(s), listen, vibrations
Fo1 Weekly Question	What is sound?

# Genius Gia Hears Boston

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I got the answer to my question, “What makes the sounds I hear?”

The T makes a vrrrrrrrr sound, the bus can make a screeeech, and kids at the park say AHHHH!

There are a lot of sounds to find!



Hi! My name is Gia, and I am a scientist! My mom calls me Genius Gia because I like to find out new things.



I want to read a book, but it is way too loud!

I can hear screeeech and vrrrrrrrr and AHHHH. So many sounds!

But what makes the sounds? As a scientist, I LOVE to ask questions.

Why? What? Who? When? Questions help me! Scientists ask questions to find out new things.



Screeeech!!

Wow, there is the next sound! I see a bus come to a stop, Screeeech.

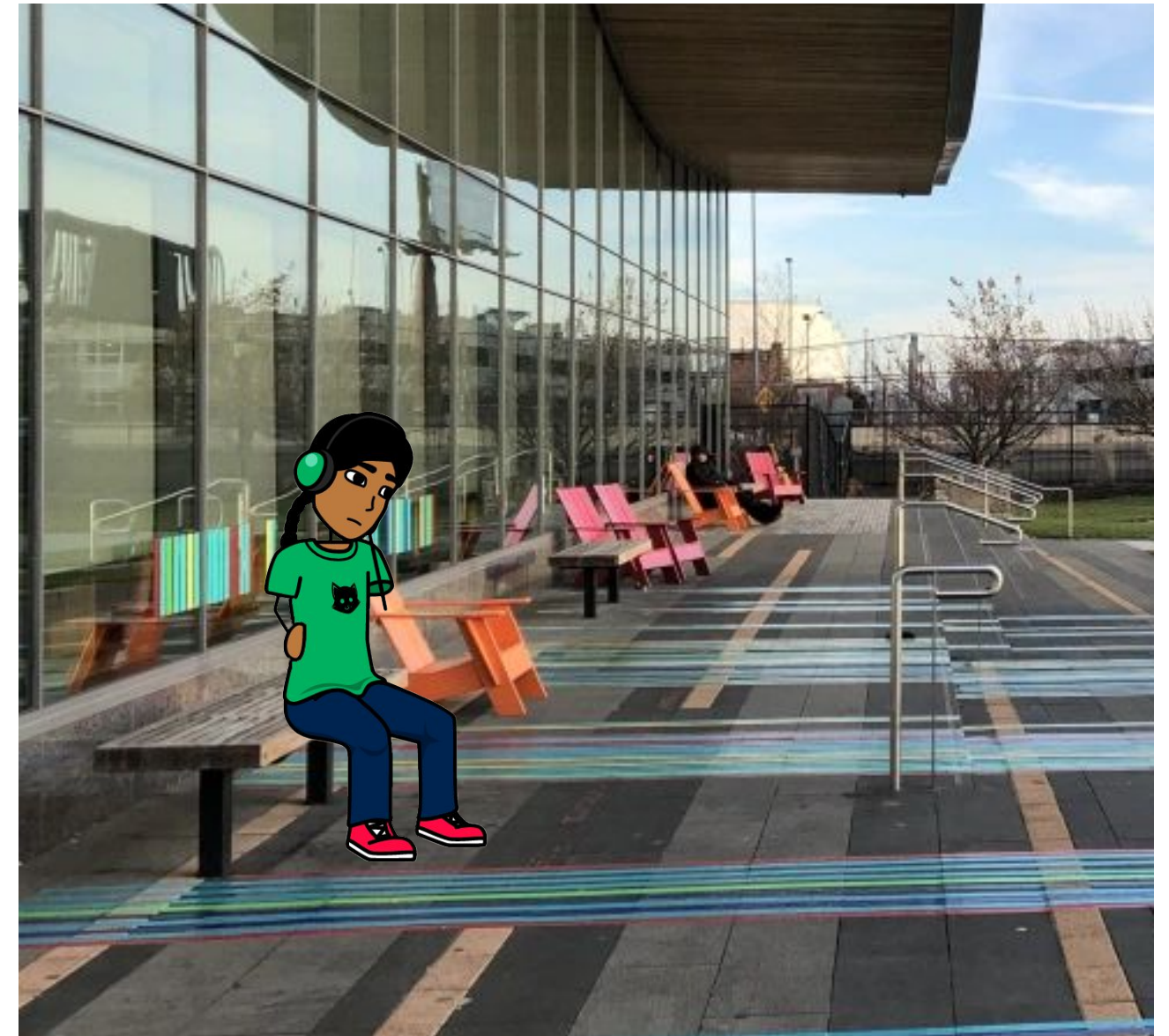
“That must be the brakes on the bus when it comes to a stop,” says Mom.

When we get to the park, we see a kid  
on the slide, “AHHHH!”

We see a kid on the swing, “AHHHH!”

We see a kid in a little maze, “AHHHH!”

“Mom, it is the kids who make this  
sound!” I say. Two sounds done! We  
have one sound left to find.





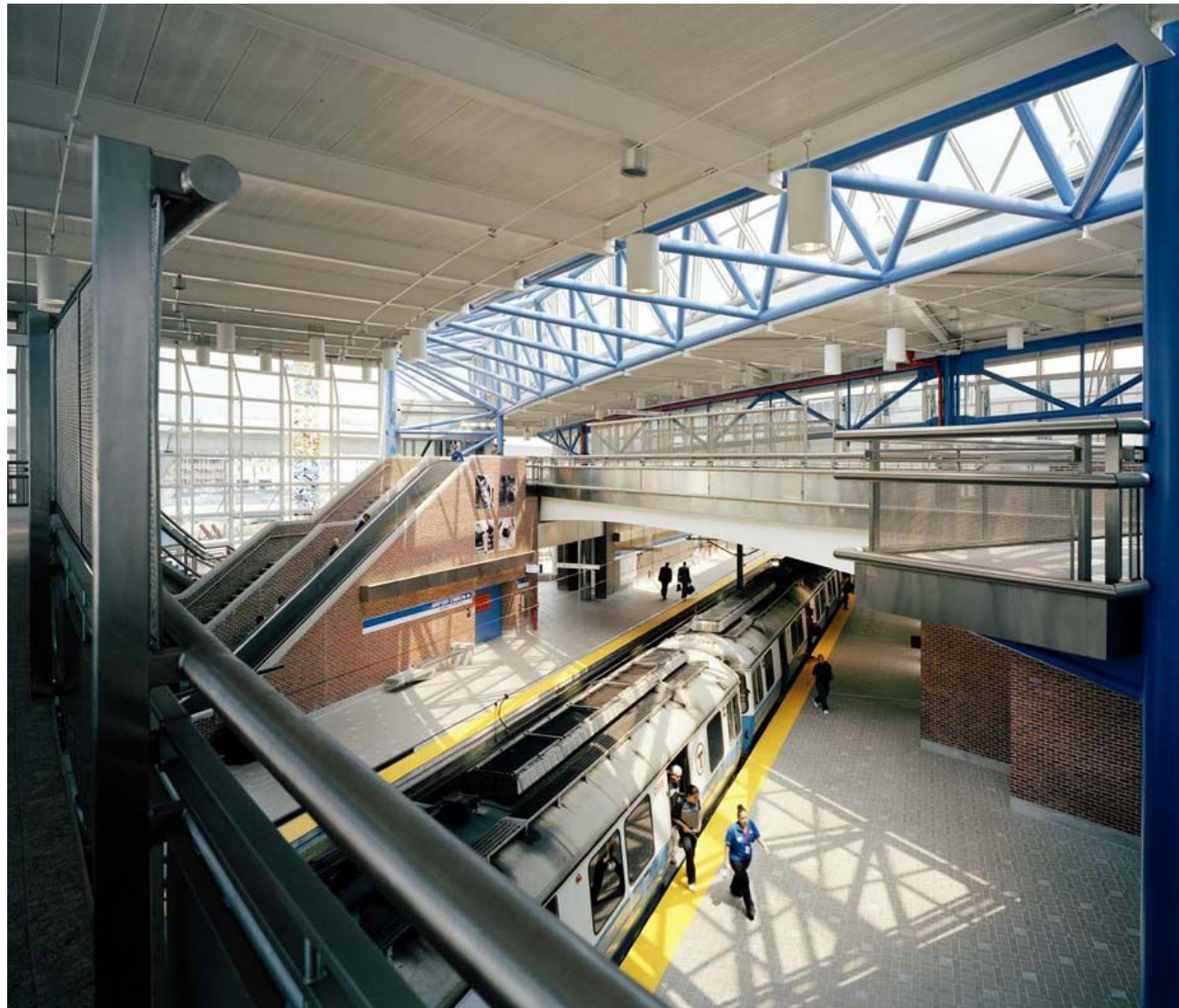
I want to find out: "What makes the sounds I hear? "

My mom says scientists do not just ask questions. They come up with a way to get the answers, too. To find out the answer, my mom and I plan to go up and down the streets and listen.

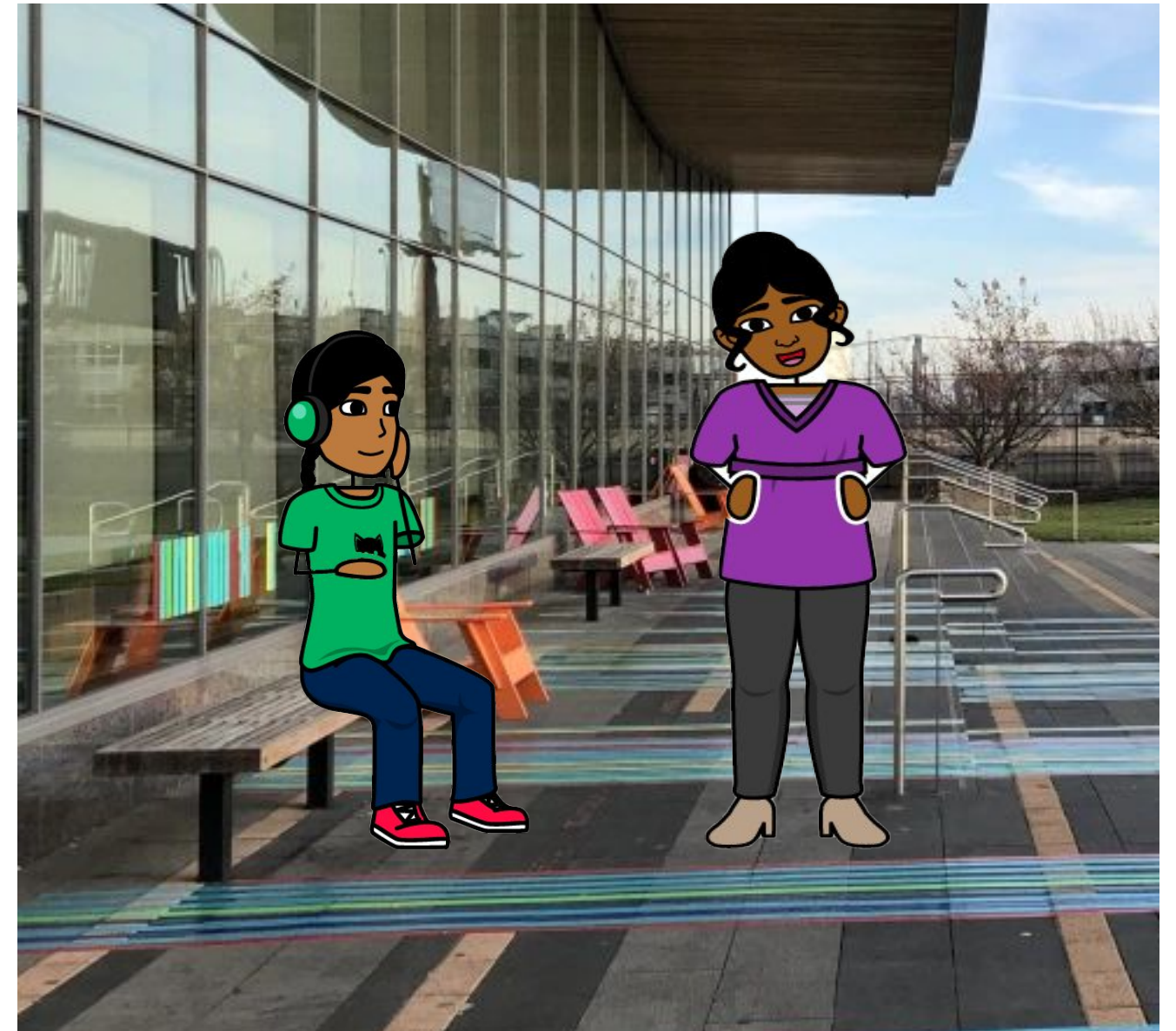


Mom and I run and hop down the street and listen for the next sound. At first, there are none. Then, we hear AHHHH! It is in the park.





I take time to think. I look down. Oh! The T! "Mom," I say, "Does the T make a vrrrrrrrr sound? " Yes! This sound is the T.





The first one I want to find is vrrrrrrrr. It is very loud, and I can feel the vrrrrrrrr shake the street, too. How can a sound shake the street?

My mom says, “Genius Gia, all sounds are vibrations. Big sounds make big vibrations. What sound could move the street? It must be a big sound under the street.”

