



# HAVE YOU THANKED A SICIAN TODAY?



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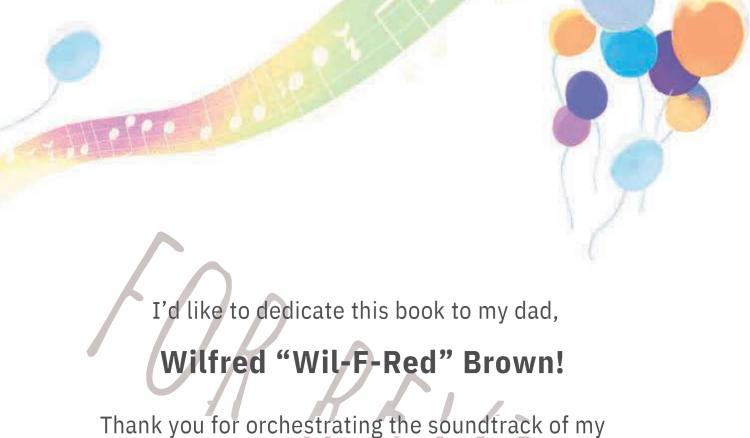
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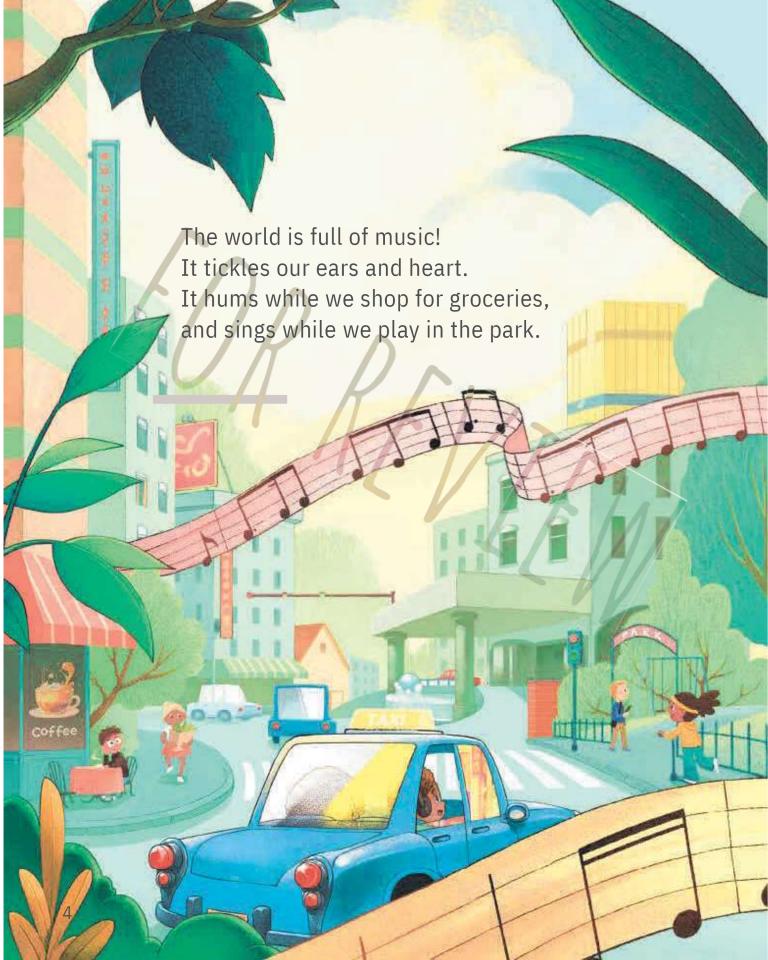
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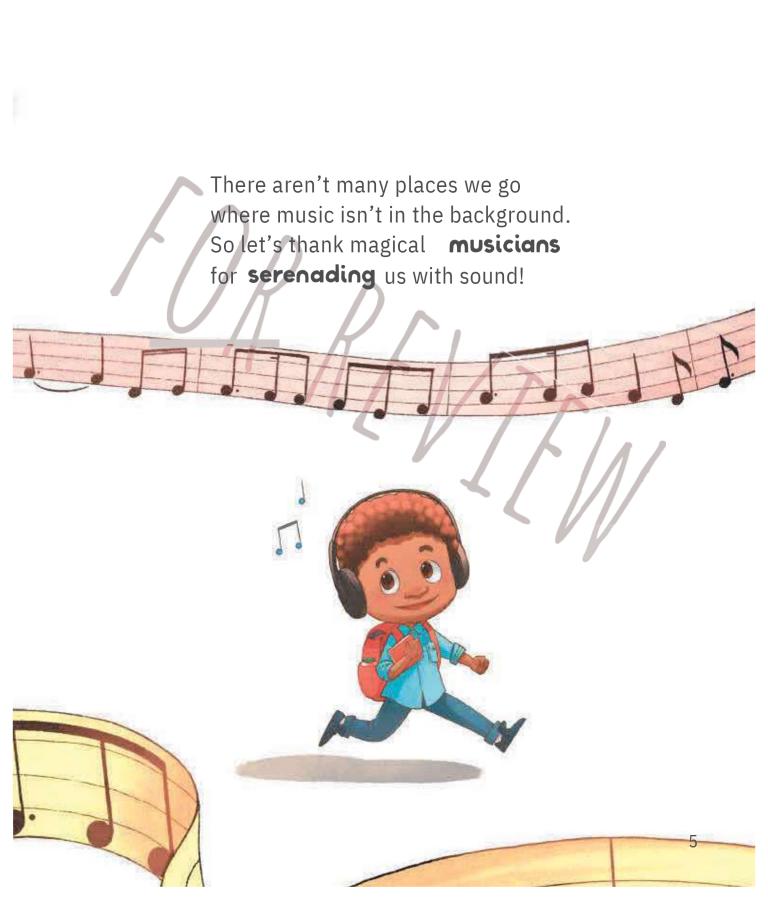
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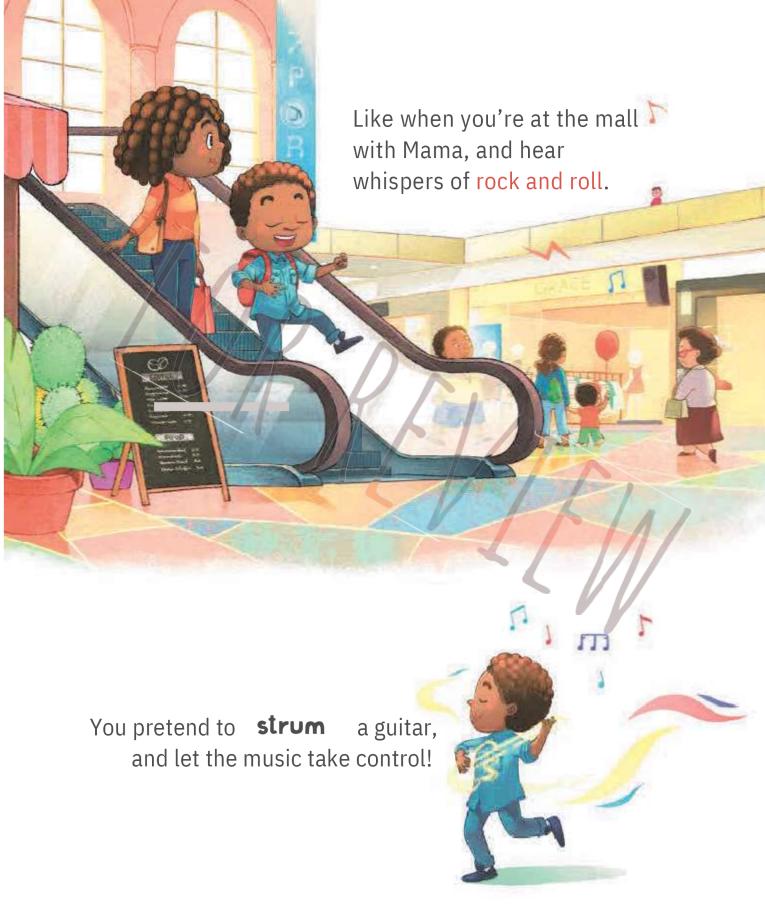


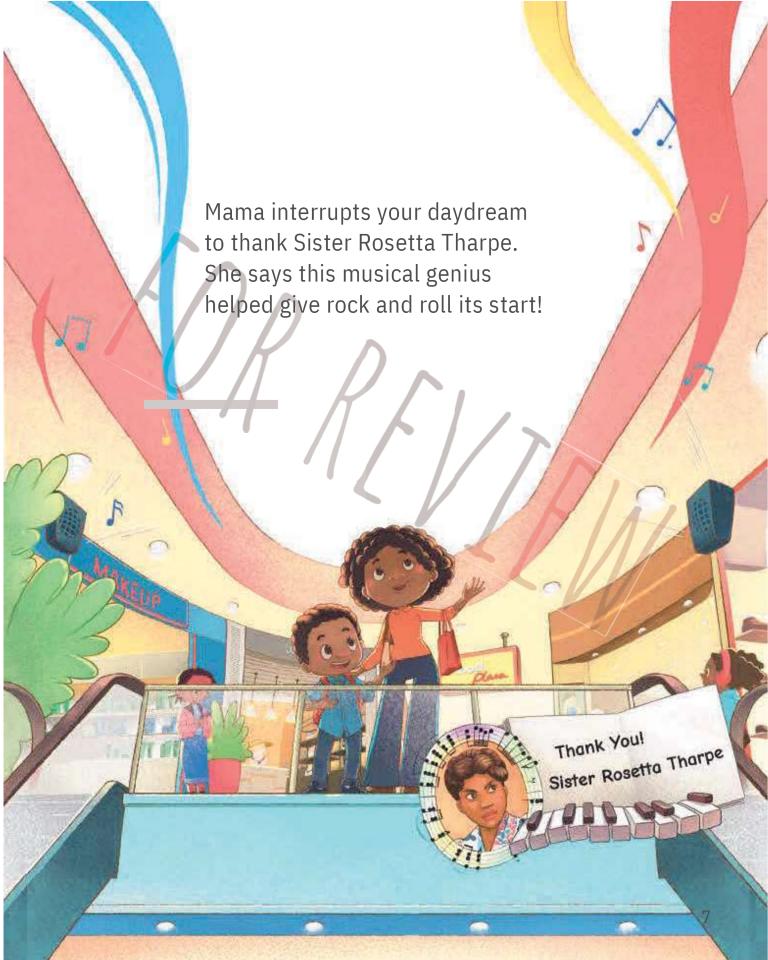


Thank you for orchestrating the soundtrack of my childhood and fostering my love of music.











Buddy Bolden – Buddy Bolden was a cornet player from New Orleans and is known as the "first man of jazz." Legend has it that when he played his horn, it could be heard for miles around town. Thank you Buddy Bolden!



Ray Charles – Ray Charles was a blind musician and singer. He is regarded as "The Genius" and is credited as the creator of soul music. Thank you Ray Charles!

Learn more about the innovators behind the music we love in the biographies section of the book!



Banjo - A musical instrument with a circular body, a long neck, and four or five strings that are plucked or strummed.

Cadence - A beat or rhythm you can feel in music.

Choir – A group of people who sing together or a collection of sounds that blend beautifully, like voices in a group.

Cornet - A small brass instrument like a trumpet.

Dive into musical terms
like 'cadence,'
'harmony,' and more in
the full book!

# Let's Make a Banjo!

(Safety First! Before starting this craft, make sure to ask for help and permission from a parent or guardian.)

# Materials Needed

- empty cereal box - paper towel roll - craft glue (or masking tape) - scissors (or exacto knife) - paint (or construction paper) - rubber bands and circle shaped objects like mason jar lids - pen or marker

Get hands-on with this fun banjo craft - available in the complete book!

# **Reading Comprehension**

- Did Ya' Get It?

- 1. My musical influence helped to give rock & roll its start. Who am I?
  - a. Sister Rosetta Tharpe
  - b. Chuck Berry c. Elvis

Presley

- 2. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm responsible for giving house music its groove.
  - a. DJ Kool Herc
  - b. Grandmaster Flash
  - c. Frankie Knuckles
- 3. Who helped to create jazz music in New Orleans?
  - a. Louis Jordan
  - b. BuTdyerst your knowledge c. Arizona Dranes
  - and spark discussions with these reading comprehension questions in the book!

# Musical Genres

"Ever wonder what these music styles sound like? Scan the QR code to hear a sample of each genre as you read!"

**Blues music** began in the late 1860s. It shared the feelings and stories of people as they worked through tough times after slavery. Want to feel the blues? Scan the QR code!





Country music can be traced back as early as the 17th century. It started when enslaved Africans mixed the banjo with the fiddle. This sound created the foundation of country music. Want to hear some country twang? Scan the QR code!

Crunk music is a type of hip hop from the Southern U.S. It uses electronic beats and call-and-response chants to get people dancing. Want to turn up with crunk? Scan the QR code!



Scan to listen to the beat to get people with the growth of the sounds that shaped America's soundtrack!

Access this and more in the full book!

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