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Sound Mapping

There are different sounds that are made around each environment and everyone experiences this in any place. As I stood outside for some time, there were different sounds that were made. Since it was winter, insect sounds were heard mostly such as the sounds of crickets, katydids and grasshoppers and these insects made this sound by rubbing together their two body parts for them to communicate. The sounds of boots as steps of a person were also heard and this shows and are represented as white. Also, noise of children playing was represented with different colors to express the diversity of the community living in the region. The onomatopoeic sound of cars, “vroom” was also heard. Opening and shutting sounds of different doors in the neighborhood were also heard. Different screeches of different automobiles were also marked. Sound waves of wind blowing trees were also present and they were represented as green which showed nature with its green fresh air around. Lastly the wind sounds were also represented with a blue which showed the cold breeze experienced during the winter times. As I translate this to a visual representation, others can also experience what I had experienced as they are reading through. This image can also be created by the reader and these sounds can be expressed by someone else that has not yet had the experience. At the completed sound map, sounds are expressed according to what I heard while I was at the center of it. As I look upon the sound

map, there are feelings of the environment expressed by the sound map that arise from which feelings of having a similar experience come.

Sound mapping has its importance in a philosophical view and its teaching. For this one, it gave me a different way to look at Geography of the globe around me. They allow us to reconnect with the immediate environment that is around us. It also makes us more aware of the spatial surrounding around us and makes us make choices on how to set the mood in a place we are. Also, it has a historical importance as they will give the future generations the idea of what a particular place sounded like as the globe is changing for many causes. This will also act as a preservative of a particular sound that was in a particular place or how a society lived in a certain place. In its applications, it can be used to help individuals with visual and hearing impairments to understand what a particular region feels like or felt. This will also help individuals have an experience of what a place looks like and feels before having access to the region. With this, it will help the visual and hearing impaired individuals navigate the region and also have a chance to participate in physical activities such as sport as sound and space are linked closely in which our ears can help in defining our surroundings.



