WHERE I ‘M FROM

I am from Television Island

From cartoons and Teletubbies

I Am from Fulton Miller 79 Sunnyside

“Home a that boII BIGGIE”

Corner store sandwich and Arizona

I am from building and apartment

From trees and mountains

Where every bad boii from

I am from Leroy, James and Simon

I am from bumping music and Caribbean cooking

I am from “Go take a shower,” and “Behave yourself little boii!”

I am from Christianity and Sunday morning church

I am from Brooklyn and Jamaica, I am from “cook up” and “pepper pot”

I am from grandmother telling stories and Demetri always singing songs

I am from pictures scattered around the walls of the house

I am from the home town of that boii Biggie and Jay

-Shaquel H.

**Inspired by George Ella Lyon’s Poem, “Where I’m From”**