ACT 1

SCENE 1 – Intro / Graduation / On the Avenue

An overture, with accompanying video.

#1 – The Avenue Q Theme

VOICES

THE SUN IS SHINING, IT'S A LOVELY DAY,
A PERFECT MORNING FOR A KID TO PLAY,
BUT YOU'VE GOT LOTS OF BILLS TO PAY –
WHAT CAN YOU DO?
YOU WORK REAL HARD AND THE PAY'S REAL LOW,
AND EV'RY HOUR GOES OH, SO SLOW,
AND AT THE END OF THE DAY THERE'S NOWHERE TO GO
BUT HOME TO AVENUE Q! YOU LIVE ON AVENUE Q!
YOUR FRIENDS DO TOO.
YOU ARE 22 AND YOU LIVE ON AVENUE Q!
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Princeton appears, in a graduation cap.

#2 – Opening (What Do You Do With a B.A. In English / It Sucks To Be Me)

PRINCETON

WHAT DO YOU DO WITH A B.A. IN ENGLISH?
WHAT IS MY LIFE GOING TO BE?
FOUR YEARS OF COLLEGE AND PLENTY OF KNOWLEDGE
HAVE EARNED ME THIS USELESS DEGREE.
I CAN'T PAY THE BILLS YET
'CAUSE I HAVE NO SKILLS YET.
THE WORLD IS A BIG SCARY PLACE.
BUT SOMEHOW I CAN'T SHAKE
THE FEELING I MIGHT MAKE
A DIFFERENCE TO THE HUMAN RACE!

Lights rise on Avenue Q, a homey, dilapidated street in an outer-outer borough of New York City. On one building hangs a sign: "Apartment For Rent."

Brian is putting some garbage out on the street. Kate Monster enters.

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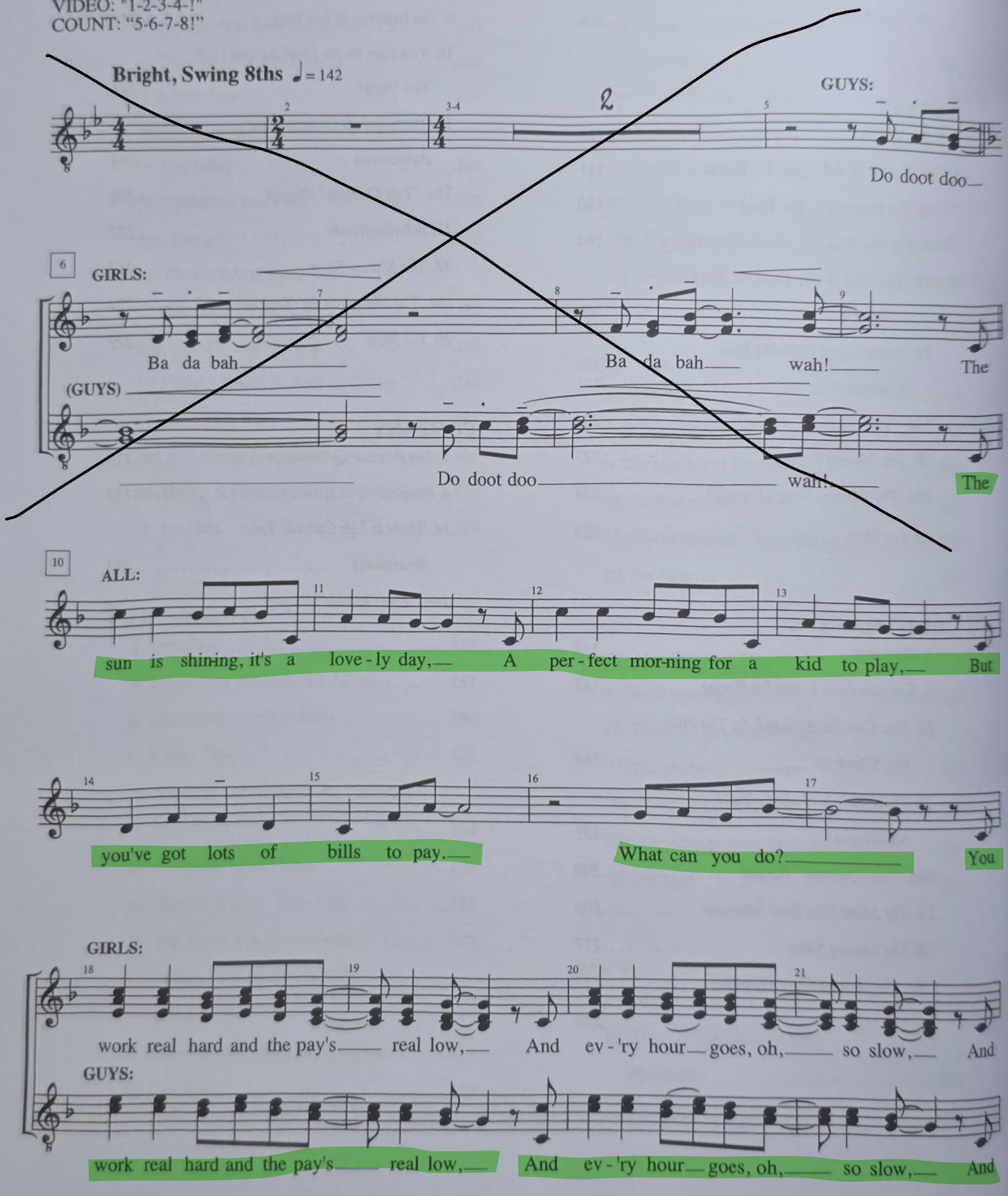
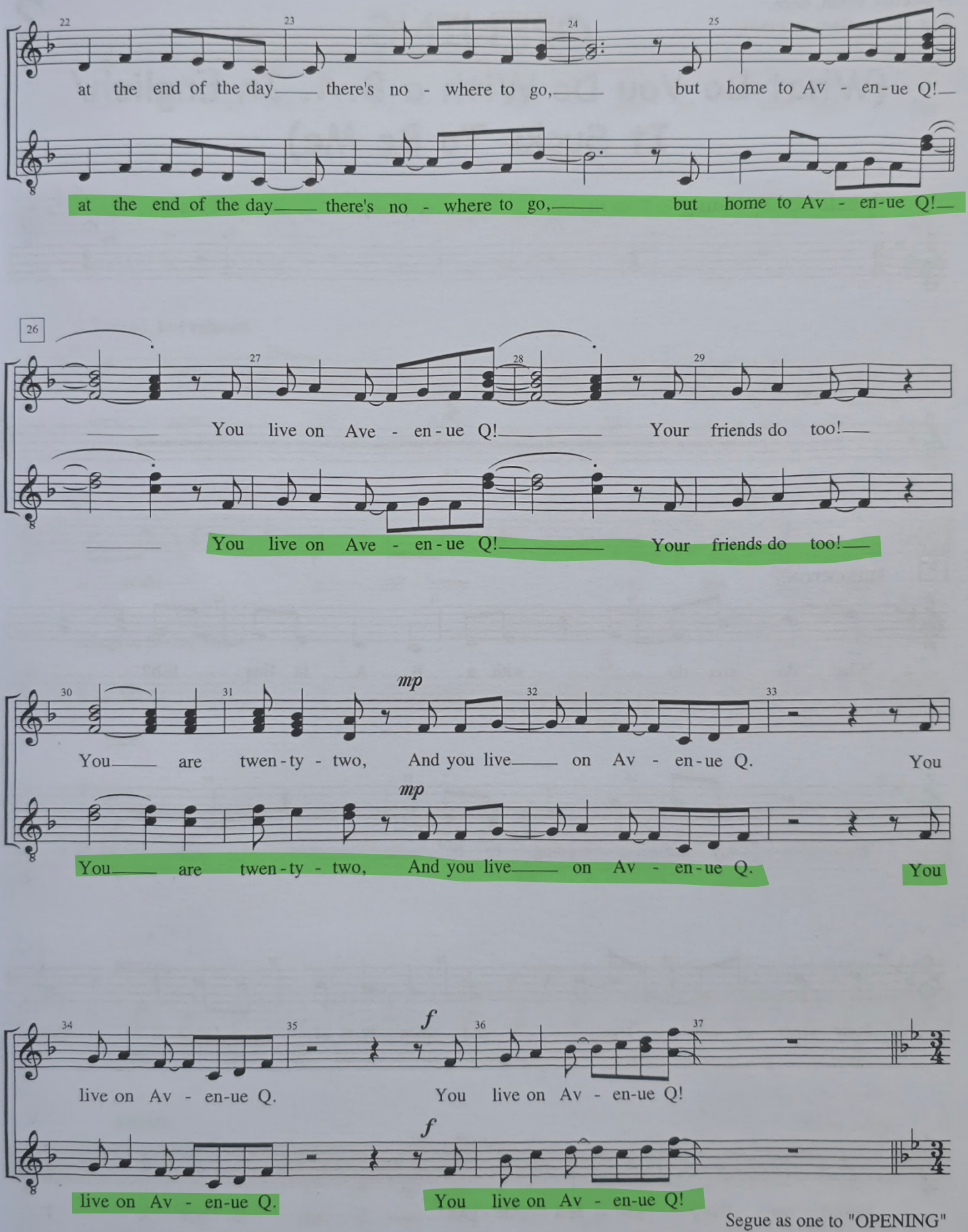
THE AVENUE Q THEME 1

VIDEO: "1-2-3-4-!"
COUNT: "5-6-7-8!"





Segue as one to "OPENING"

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