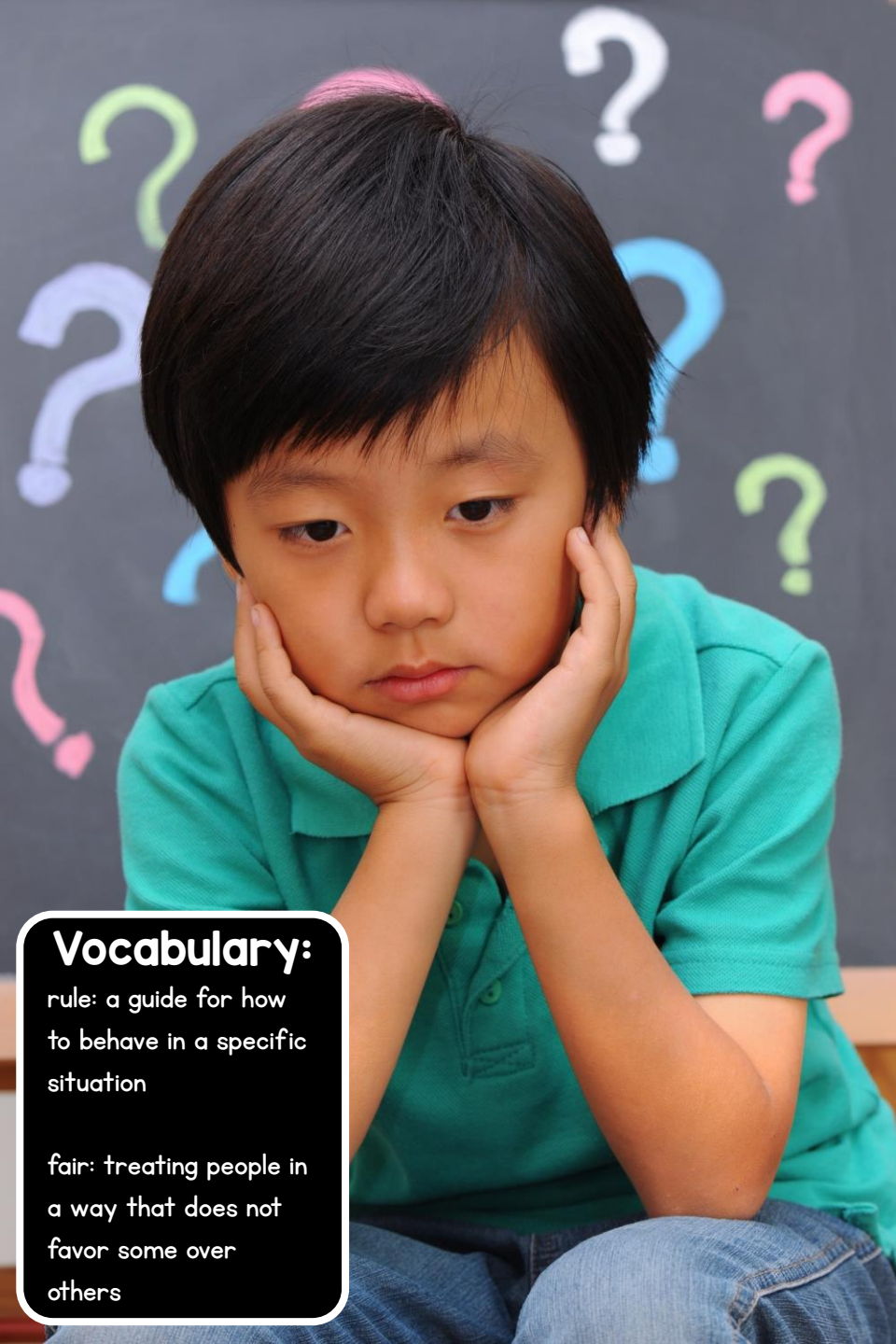




# Social Studies Unit I

# RULES

**Vocabulary:**

rule: a guide for how to behave in a specific situation

fair: treating people in a way that does not favor some over others

Hi, my name is Niko and right now I am feeling sad. I am in timeout because I just broke a **rule**. I was running in the hall and I got caught. I just don't understand why we can't run! It is not **fair**!





My teacher says we can't run because it isn't safe. She says that I could trip or run into someone. I am always careful though, and it is more fun to run. I don't think that it is bad to run in the hall.



Mom and Dad told me that I have to follow the rules because my teacher has **authority**. That means that she is in charge and can make rules to help keep me safe. They said that people with authority are **responsible** for everyone else.

**Vocabulary:**

authority: the power to give orders or make decisions

responsible: having the job or duty of dealing with or taking care of something or someone



My parents said that other people have authority, too. People with a lot of authority can even make **laws**! Laws are rules that everyone has to follow like wearing a seatbelt or not stealing.

**Vocabulary:**

law: a set of rules made by the government of a town, state, or country that everyone must follow





I guess laws and rules are important because they keep everyone safe and make sure everyone is treated fairly. My teacher is only trying to protect me. I will try to be more responsible now and follow the rules!