The Shit Is Real (DJ Premier remix)

Fat Joe

Yeah, this is goin' out

To all the live motherfuckers, knowhatI'msayin'?

All the real niggazBronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, California

LaBella, Puerto Rico, wherever the fuck you from

KnowhatI'msayin'? YeahThis story takes place, back in the South Bronx

Where at the age of fourteen, I was already knockin' off punks

(Yeah)

And suckers were scared to death, every time I walked by

I hear them niggaz take their last breath

(Ah)See I just didn't give a fuck and if you had a C skin

A leather bomber, you was gettin' stuck

(Word)

That was the way it was One day I went to visit my aunt and stuck up my 'cuz

See shit was fucked up back then

No matter what the fuck I did I never had no ends

And my mom's was on welfareAiyyo, I knew I had a father but the nigga was never there

So what the fuck was I to do?

I'm sick and tired of bein' the bummiest nigga out the crewI gotta get mine, I gotta get cash

I see an old man, I'm gonna rob him with the quick fast

Give me your motherfuckin' loot, papi

I'm gonna get paid and can't a damn thing stop meSee I'm tired of this poor shit and who the cops?

Well, they can suck my motherfuckin' dick

'Cause all them niggaz ever do is harass

That's why I get glad when I hear somebody smoked that assJust to let ya know how I feel

Word 'em up, the fuckin' shit is real

Hey yo, it's realAiyyo, the shit is real

Aiyyo, it's real

Word up, the shit is realNow I'm sixteen and there's a brand new scene

I'm makin' mad loot, gettin' paid off the dope fiends

(Word)

Keep the shit in check, in order

And my main man Tone was fuckin' everybody else's daughterSee everybody knew in town

That Joe and Tone had shit locked down

And a nigga wouldn't test me

It seems like every other day the fuckin' cops arrest me

(Yeah)But the shit will never stick

I make one phone call and be out like quick

'Cause Uncle Dan had my back

And now niggaz gettin' jealous 'cause they know I'm livin' fatTalkin' shit around the way and on the block

But never in my face, 'cause they knew I packed a glock
And my crew is mad deep
A bunch of crazy Puerto Ricans, so aiyyo, don't sleep
(Word)And all you bitch ass niggaz know the deal
Check it out, the fuckin' shit is real
Hey yo, it's realAiyyo, it's real
The fuckin' shit is real
Yeah, aiyyo, it's realCheck it out
Let me let ya know why I made this song
(Why?)

Brothers can't deal with the real, word is bondI'm sick and tired of these fake ass niggaz Sayin' that they catchin' bodies when they never pulled a trigga

I know your style, I've seen it before

You wear an army suit, now you think you're hardcoreDrinkin' on your forty's, smokin' on your blunts Can't afford a chain so you wear gold fronts, yeah

You're fakin' the funk, kid

And you'll be gettin' it up the ass if you ever did a fuckin' bidIt's time to separate the real from the phony

The name is Fat Joe, punk, act like you know me

I come equipped with the ruff shit

Nowadays I can't believe the bull rappers come up withAnd all ya bitch ass niggaz know the deal

Check it out, the fuckin' shit is real

Hey yo, it's realAiyyo, the shit is real

Aiyyo, it's real

The fuckin' shit is realWord up

I wanna say peace to my peeps, The Beatnuts

Messengers of Funk, Strickly Roots

My man Funk Flex, Zulu Nation

Jazzy J in the houseDiamond D, the whole diggin' in the crates crew

And rest in peace to my man Tony Montana

Aiyyo, I'm out, word is bond The shit is real, aiyyo

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