

# Big Brother (Dedicated To Jay-Z)

## Kanye West

Stadium status  
UhMy big brother was Big's brother  
Used to be Dame and Big's brother  
Who was hip hop brother  
Who was No I.D friend  
No I.D My mentor  
Now let the story beginIts the hard knock life tour  
Sell out, picture us in the mall  
Copin iceberg and yell out Jigga  
Yea that's what we would yell out, yell out  
You know the name, do gotta spell out or tell bout  
J a y an Ye so shy  
Now he won't even step to his idol to say hi  
Standing there like a mime and let the chance pass by  
Back of my mind he could change your life  
With all these beats I did at least let him hear it  
At least you could brag to your friends back at the gig  
But he got me out my mama crib  
Then he help me get my mama a cribBig brother was Big's Brother  
Used to be Dame and Big's Brother  
Who was hip hop brother, who was No I.D friend  
No I.D my mentor, now let the story begin  
Let the story begin  
If you feel the way I feel why don't you wave your handsFresh off the plane I'm off to Baseline  
Nothing handed out, I'm about to take mine  
Around the same time of that Blueprint 1  
And these beats in my pocket was that blueprint for him  
I'd play my little song in that old back room  
He would bob his head and say, damn, oh, that's you  
But by The Black Album I was blacking out  
Party at S.O.B's and we had packed the crowd  
Big brother got his show up in Madison Square  
And I'm like yea, yea we gonna be there  
But not only did I not get a chance to spit it  
Carleen told me I could buy two tickets  
I guess big brother was thinking a little different  
And kept little brother at bay, at a distance  
But everything I felt was more bogus  
Only made me more focused, only wrote more potent

Only thing I wanna know is why I get looked over

I guess ill understand when I get more older

Big brother saw me at the bottom of the totem

Now I'm at the top and everybody on the scrotumMy big Brother was Big's brother

Used to be Dame and Big's brotherWho was hip hops brother

Who was No I.D's friend

No I.D my mentor, now let the story begin

Begin

Let the story begin

If you feel the way I feel why don't you wave your handsHave you ever walked in the shadow of a giant

Not only a client, the presidito, Hola Hovito

The game getting foul, so here's a free throw

I was always on the other side of the peep hole

Then I dropped Jesus Walks now I'm on a steep hole

And we know

New jack city gotta keep my brother

But to be number 1, I'm a beat my brother

On that Diamonds remix I swore I'd spaz

Then my big brother came through and kicked my ass

Sibling rivalry, only I could see

It was the pride in me that was driving me

At the Grammys I said I inspired me

But my big brother who I always tried to be

When I kick a flow it was like, pick and roll

'Cause even if he gave me the rock, its give and go

I guess Beanies style was more of a slam dunk

And my shit was more like a finger roll

but I had them singles though

And them hoes at the show gonna mingle yo

Y'all know

I told Jay I did a song with Cold Play

Next thing I know he got a song with Cold Play

Back in my mind I'm like damn, no way

Translate espaÃ±ol

No way Jose

Then I went and told J Brown

Should of known that was gonna come back around

Should of told you like a man, should of told you first

But I told somebody else and that's what made shit worseMy big brother was Big's brother

So here's a few words from your kid brother

If you admire somebody you should go ahead and tell um

People never get the flowers while they could still smell um

A idol in my eyes, God of the game

Heart of the city, Rockafella chain

Never be the same, never be another

Number 1 young Hov also my big brother  
My big Brother was Bigs brother  
Used to be Dame and Bigs Brother  
Who was hip hops brother  
Who was No I.D's friend  
No I.D my mentor, and that's where the story ends  
Don't kill this shit

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