Keep the Beat

Eric B. & Rakim

She asked could I keep the beat

So heres the beat, everytime it pounds you get weak

Comfy, imbedded like a pillow, bouncin' wit an echo

My voice is moist and plus mellowI got it going on, youre gonna wanna come

Skins is the drum, said Im the drummer

Give the drummer some and well see if you can hang wit ra

Hmm, lets see if you can shangrilaEasy like Tina Marie I play it slick

Like Rick James, Im the fire in your desires flames

I heat up your temperature keep the tempo raw

When you start to smoke, rest assured start to think cause youre a singer like Anita

High pitched like a tweeter, deep beats start to beat her

Much harder than love taps, my raps above that

I get girls where I want wit a maze full of love trapsBut I dont want to fall in love

I stand in love, good balanced wit a plan to shove

Accapella as we start to speak

Heart to heart and cheek to cheek then I complete the beat Tempos movin' and Im hopin' itll never fade away

The beat is groovin', words are soothin'

And please tell me that youre here to stay

In the mornin' and Im hopin' the mornin' come again

Hold me close and give me another dose

And keep the beat dont ever let it endShe said, ah, so far, you didnt miss a beat yet

Pop in another cassette, then Im in to wreck

Ill give you a beat you never had before

I had to explore and came up wit moreDeep trunk kicks wit a brick for a drum stick

You know the song, dont hum along, come quick

You lay like sade, it feels like paradise

At the top of the pyramid, we review new heightsThe scenery of Egypt, you and me as we get

So deep in the groove, when you move, you get seasick

You seen enough, close your eyes and relax

Move wit the tracks and stay tuned for the saxThe instrumental, enters your mental

Tense but gentle and sentimental

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And keep the beat dont ever let it endShe wanted the extended version

So I kept splurging and add more words in

Strong, the emotion, notions move

And the poetrys smoking, potions soothingThere goes the moon, Im far from done
Rise like the sun, here comes the sun
And I wont stop til it sets and then

Rewind the cassettes and Ima play it againBut this time its instrumental at a faster tempo

All I wanna hear is yea rakim, go

I work overtime on your body and mind

Cause Im incline to do both combinedMy job is never done but done well

Horizontal or parallel

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