

# Way of Life

## dead prez

\*guitar plays and birds in the background\*(Verse 1)

What you know about the running, the stretching

The cars, the weapons

The path, the journey

The jewels, the learning

The fear, the focus

The aches, the pains

The contact sparrin', the breaks, the sprains

The trial and error, the ranks, and belts

The spiritual growth, the science of breath

The tests, the techniques

The forms, the stances

The flow, the rhythm, the internal answers

The herbs, the healing, the quiet meditation

The truths reveal through daily dedication

The love for the art, the sweat on your shirt

The mind, the body, and the spirit that work

The feelings of failure, the hope to succeed

The battles of questions like "Should I smoke weed?"(Verse 2)

The water, the thirst

The cleansing, the blessings

The flash of insights, the teachings, the lessons

The grappling and locking, trapping and boxing

The training and slacking

The starting and stopping

And stayin' committed, when your homies ain't with it

The hours or practice after the class is finished

The cause of your ignorance, flaws in your discipline

Broken laws of nutrition, and pork and dishin'

The vitamins and supplements

Salads and ointmentsThe kingships, pull joints in doctor appointments

The dues, the pads, the wraps, the gloves

The mouthpiece you left home, the taste of your own blood

The hunger, the blocks

The punches, the squats

The crunches, the example you set for the youngsters

The will, the skills, the kill or the hill

The separation between what's fake and what's real

The laws of physics, The class "comradery"

The vows of humility, the bow, the courtesy.\*guitar plays\*(Sample)  
Self defense doesn't mean you run and attack someone  
But you do have the right to defend yourself by any means necessary  
If you in that position to defend yourself (Ha!)

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