

# Ya Playin' Yaself

## Jeru the Damaja

Yo, are you a pimp, a hustler? No I'm not  
Are you a man, and can you stand alone  
Like a man has to sometimes? Yes I can  
Are you willing, to go out there  
And save the lives of our children  
Even if it means losin' your own life? Yes I am  
I believe you Jeru, you're ready  
You've no-no-nothin' to worry about  
Now, I don't push a Lex  
Others had their turn to flex, Jeru is up next  
All, these so called players up in the rap game  
Got brothers on the corner sellin' cooked cocaine  
It used to be La Toya and, Jim Hats  
But now it's Uzis Macs and, G-packs of cracks  
Everybody's psycho or some type of good fellow  
But me, I keep it real that's all swine like Jello  
Don't drink Cristal, and I can't stand Mo  
Never received currency for movin' a kilo  
Or an ounce, make 'em bounce to this fake-pimp free flow  
I never knew hustlers, confessed in stereo  
Or on video get caught you'll know who turned  
State's evidence, murder weapon, confession and fingerprints  
Mama always said, "Watch what comes out your mouth"  
Tight case for the D A from here to down South  
Knowledge wisdom understanding like King Solomon's wealth  
You're a player but only because you be playin' yourself  
With all that Big Willie talk, hop, ya playin' yaself  
With all that big gun talk, bop, ya playin' yaself  
With all that rah rah rah, ya playin' yaself  
Ya playin' yaself, ya playin' yaself  
With all that rah rah rah, ya playin' yaself  
With all that big gun talk, bop, ya playin' yaself  
With all that Big Willie talk hop, ya playin' yaself  
Ya playin' yaself, ya playin' yaself  
Now these ladies is lookin' pretty from city to city  
I refined a few I met, around the country  
The nitty gritty, it's all reality, no question  
Actual fact like tight jeans cause yeast infections  
And sisters with good minds get no respect when  
Their ass is all hangin' out, playin' the bar section  
Of the club shake what your mama gave ya, back to the lab  
I drop the truth, 'cause rhymin' is more than just my craft  
Or a way to get ass or fast cash or blasted  
Black women, make sure you're respected  
When niggaz is kickin' that old off the wall shit,  
Let 'em know from jump, "Dead it", you're not ignorant  
Knowledge, wisdom, understandin' is the key to wealth  
Put some clothes on that ass if you respect yourself  
With those hooker type wears, hon, ya playin' yaself  
With those skin tight jeans, baby, ya playin' yaself  
Everythin' all exposed ya playin' yaself  
Ya playin' yaself, ya playin' yaself  
Everythin' all exposed ya playin' yaself

With those skin tight jeans, baby, ya playin' yaself  
With those hooker type wears, hon, ya playin' yaself  
Ya playin' yaself, ya playin' yaselfNow, I don't bust a tec, bubble drugs  
In the projects, or use mics to sell sex  
Niggaz, nowadays is all about this  
So much ying yang, it's ridiculousIf you got so much cheese where are the black distributors  
And these record companies shake 'em down like mobsters  
But impostors, like commercial locks are not rastas  
Always fakin' moves, never, makin' movesAsses shake, bottles pop, the government is breakin' down  
You fools, you work all week and give the devil  
Back his loot for jewels  
And the steak on your plate is filled with chemicals  
Still, brothers leave brothers all battered and bruisedOn the streets won't see snakes on my feet  
The race is on, but I won't compete in this competition  
Because I have a greater mission  
I hope that you listenKnowledge, wisdom and understanding brings, long life and health  
Think anything else and ya playin' yaselfSo all that Big Willie talk, hop, ya, playin' yaself  
And all those skin tight jeans, hon, ya playin' yaself  
And all that rah rah rah, ya, playin' yaself  
Ya, playin' yaself, ya, playin' yaselfAnd all those hooker type wears, baby, ya playin' yaself  
And all that big gun talk money, ya playin' yaself  
Everything all exposed, ya playin' yaself  
Ya playin' yaself, ya playin' yaselfI don't play

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