

# Sunshine

## Mos Def

(Let the sun shine)  
Yeah, yeah, it's a brand new day, y'all  
(Let the sun shine)  
Turn me up in the top a little bit, dog  
Want you to know, want you to hear this one  
(The sun's shinin')  
Loud an' clear, bright an' early, listen I don't hate players, I don't love the game  
I'm the shot clock, way above the game  
To be point blank with you, mother fuck the game  
I got all this work on me, I ain't come for play You can show the little shorties how you pump an' fake  
But dog, not to Def, I'm not impressed  
I'm not amused, I'm not confused, I'm not to dude  
I'm grown man business an' I am not in school Put your hand down youngin', this is not for you  
On my J.O. with beats by Kanye, yo  
My name on the marquee, your name off the payroll  
Style fresh, like I'm still a day old An' it's been like that since the day, yo  
On more time than a Roley, or Seiko  
Step on deck, your neck, do what I say so  
Get up or get out, get down or lay low (Let the sunshine)  
Standin' in the shadow of a fabulous man  
Brooklyn nigga, I am, Black Dante  
(Let the sunshine in)  
That nigga, that dude, black people, let's move  
(The sun's shinin')  
Shout out to my man, Talib Kweli, yes  
We on top a, top a, shout a, shout a, check it out Slim nigga that casts a big shadow  
Cherokee red to shoot the long arrow  
Got more skill, more aim an' more ammo  
You can get it all from a big or small barrel Like, 'Hail Mary', full of grace  
Niggaz come in an' shoot up the place  
An' make you pull up your face  
The deck, Im'ma pull out the ace  
From the jungles of the Empire State  
Where it ain't no escape Two four seven, seven one eight  
An' that's like every night, every day  
From the place that I settle an' stay  
To the states, I'm collectin' my pay  
Blast off then I'm back to the K Hold it down so my family straight  
Represent in a family way

Pro ball not for amateur play  
Been raw since the amateur stage  
Before the press had the cameras raised Like a long time man of the way  
(Let the sun shine)  
You understandin' me straight?  
Yes, yes, no doubt, excellence  
(Let the sunshine in)  
It's what it is, what it is  
An' that's what it is, you see? Ha, fire  
(The sun's shinin') 'Cause it is deeper, sweeter, richer, crisper  
Stronger reception an' sharper picture  
Revolve around God an' involve with niggaz  
These elements above all my scripture An' make Mos Def a classic modern figure  
Brooklyn, it don't matter if you holler or whisper  
You're comin' through clear 'cause I'm right here wit'cha  
Ain't gotta edit the slang, I got it, I'll get ya Yo, brothers an' sisters, fathers an' mothers  
The lovers, the leavers, the doubters, believers  
The stayers, the quitters, the bitches, the niggaz  
Rebel guerrillas, the ghetto civilians  
Y'all 'gon feel it from the first to the millionth It's extra ordinary an' plain  
I walk a thousand paces of light ahead of the game  
By the time you get where I'm standin', I'll be gone  
Y'all make moves, but y'all just move on I move in, an' y'all must move on  
(Let the sun shine)  
'Cause I move to strong an' I know what my feet move for  
Make it go without a brand new car  
(Let the sunshine in) I was fresh without a brand new song  
An' give a fuck about what brand you are  
(The sun's shinin')  
I'm concerned what type of man you are  
What your principles an' standards are  
You understand me y'all Be good to your family, y'all  
No matter where your families are  
'Cause everybody need family, y'all  
Raise a hand, you understand me, y'all  
Everybody need family, y'all Be good to your families, dog  
Understand, no matter where your families are  
Everybody need family, dog  
Raise your hands, you understand me, pa  
That's what it is, that's my man Family an' my family Pencil Pete  
My man too, all our loved ones behind the walls  
All of those who still in the struggle  
Masada Malia, Son Dial la, Magic Mel (Let the sunshine in)  
Life is real  
All the real soldiers, black people, we family y'all

(Let the sunshine in)  
(The sun's shinin')  
Let it be bright

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