Closer

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[Intro: Drake talking]

Yeah I remember me and, me and D used to talk about this kind of stuff all the time
Like what it's gonna be like when you get closer to your dreams
I didn't know much then but, probably tell you a lil' somethin' now

[Verse 1: Drake]

Mr. Big Dreams no tolerance

Cut you at the house and haven't hollered since

Get bored quickly

He stay grown

So the p-a-trãn had to get poured quickly

Ex girl strippin'

I can't stop her

New girl trippin' but I can't drop her

'Cause I need somethin' to balance out the fact

That it's hard to find a woman when you' talented and black

When you hollerin' at labels

And they silencing you back

'Cause you fail to thoroughly discuss some violence in ya track

Well

Gunshot for the young yacht owner

See there's everybody else then there's one top loner

First place is often the worst place

But fuck it I love it here I call it my birthplace

Whenever I walk in they makin' the worst face

Surrounded by Fillipinos I think of the worst case

Watch blue and green diamonds I call it the earth face

I'm gettin' ya cake I tell you how ya dessert taste

I get a dessert plate

Y'all eat pedigree as ya meal

I've been Urkel for some years it's better bein' Jaleel

Though I rock lean snap it's better bein' this real

It's better drivin' a car with the letter B in the wheel

Seat back

Light sayin' tank on E

I got the drank on me

You better bank on me

To be the one and only nigga that you ain't gon' see In the club with a model spillin' drinks on me

Nah

Gimme 20 in the tank on 3
I'm in the Range bumpin' Keyshia Cole
Singin' off-key like [Andreena harmonizes]

I'mma spare y'all

Why you wanna judge me

I don't ever compare y'all

The city is mine

I know it because I'm there y'all

It ain't even started I'm really tryna prepare y'all

Spring '07 second quarter I'm droppin'

With or without a label man I'm committed to poppin'

And take over the summer

Tour to tour hoppin'

I'mma meet a lot of women I'mma do a lot of shoppin'

Really no other option

Spend a lot of money just to make it back

Anybody I dissed in a song I don't take it back

Same rappers that's all in ya face sayin' Drake is wack

Are checkin' my availability just to make a track

I promise mama

 $I'mma\ do\ it\ 'cause\ I\ know\ I\ put\ you\ through\ it\ (I\ know\ I\ put\ you\ through\ it\ baby)$

And I just want you to sit around with ya friends at a dinner table

And say "my baby's famous and I knooow it" (yeah)

And it wasn't nothin' tooo it

I've drawn it and drew it 'til the pen was out of fluid

The ballpoint run out

Then all joints come out classic

Rappers are fake we can all point one out

[Drake Talking]

Yeah

I'd like to introduce you to the first lady of the ATF (uhh)

Miss Andreena Mill

[Chorus: Andreena Mill]

Closer to my dreams I'm gettin' higher

Yeah I feel it in my sleep

I said I'm gettin' higher

Yeah

And closer to my dreams

Whoa

Sometimes it feels like I'll never move on

Closer to my dreams

[Verse 2: Drake] Look

I took a plane to Hawaii with D And we was trippin' off of the speed at which life progressed From meetin' Trey in Atlanta to doin' a cameo in his video

Which made everything right with X (Songz) I got too many records and not enough shows

For too many rappers and not enough ___

Well

You can fill the blank in

They tryna be the best

Just tryna place in the rankin'

Day care play pen drop out

To grade ten drop out

To summer '05 with the grey Benz drop out

Charcoal Charger

Racin' through back streets

On my (Craig David) shit the (Artful Dodger)

Shola Ama

I told her I'mma

'Bout to get my run on so hold the commas

Times've changed now I'm older mama

And these niggas ain't solid they fold in drama

And that's the realest shit I ever wrote

A compilation of mental thoughts that I never note

And hi, haters

I'm back off of hiatus

How ya album doin'?

I'm gettin' cake off of my latest

Anticipated like the iPhone

Respected in any city that I roam

Summertime

Wintertime

Dinnertime

Anytime

Bet I am the nigga in my town when I arrive Home

[Outro: Drake talking]

Yeah one more time 'fore we turn the lights out ladies and gentleman (Sing it to' em 'Dreena) lights 'bout to go down, curtains 'bout to close but I want y'all to enjoy yourself on the way out, yeah man

(Yeah man)

[Chorus]

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