

# Itz A Set Up

## Gang Starr feat. Hannibal Stax

"We got news for ya" --> scratched by DJ Premier

Chorus: Guru and Hannibal

[Guru] While they devise our demise, we grow wise

[Hann] Upset the set up, the element of surprise

[both] IT'Z A SET UP

[Guru] It's time to upset the set up

Verse One: Guru

Though they conspire, fake us to make us retire  
With the burning desire we make it out of the crossfire  
Thoughts are higher, elevating and focused  
while the path is narrow, for those like us  
Primo beats provoke us to meditate like Zen  
With the will and the strength, of a million men  
While they introspect, where nothing is met  
It's been that way for a while so much has come and then went  
But I'm confident, a few, are due to redeem  
their respective kingdoms, with an abundance of cream  
So if I were to scheme, it would be on a realer dream  
Like formin effective teams to filter the smokescreens  
You totin in jeans, don't even know the true envy  
The man I'm pickin apart, and plus they both were friends to me  
Past trivial pursuits like East and West coast feuds  
Come against me on the mic, many and most will lose  
Like most dudes, I love this hip-hop, and this rap stuff  
But I don't like the shows, where the ignorant act up  
While some'll be rippin it, they be in the crowd wildin  
Flippin on kids, for the chains and medallions  
Or the kid they don't like, from a beef from way back  
And decide that's the night, perfect time for payback  
It's wack for the group, plus the others who came  
to see a fat ass show, instead there's bullets aflame

Chorus

Verse Two: Hannibal

Still waters run deep this is leagues in depth  
Quiet as kept they slept we crept  
Society puts the squeeze on MC's like iron grips of death  
From here on in peace and blessings long cherish your breath  
Gifted and Rhyme you now how we do, stay true  
Follow through lay down the law, cause it's probable and overdue  
All systems overdue, my guns know me  
I only hold a few my nigga for only a few hold me  
Never forget the ones before me, my momma told me  
sacrifice for the ones behind me leadin the seeds  
Blind leads, black on black, crime to me  
Inclined to refine my creed I eat thinkin lead  
Conceive to make the beast bleed, enhance thoughts  
like tossed trees 'cross the Earth three-fourths  
Let my offspring feed all three, corpus delectis cost me  
Lost and found on enemy ground, quoted although  
they don't know how we get down at sound speed we breed  
Mo more confined to blind greed and self destructive deeds  
Heed my freedom war cry, of course I'm N.Y.  
Hug my peeps that died, the loved ones alive  
Reinforce and fly high as I lie so shall I  
from New I to Cali next plateau U.N.I.versal  
Unleash the black rain  
Show em who in control, electro-magnetic  
pull on the hole, ill as toters bang out  
Til we sittin on swole the strongest way to grow  
The only way I know, Underground Railroad on track  
No physical or mental chain can shackle that

[answering machine messages]

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