## Wings

## Rocko

I was seven years old, when I got my first pair

And I stepped outside

And I was like, Momma, this air bubble right here, it's gonna make me fly I hit that court, and when I jumped, I jumped, I swear I got so high I touched the net, Mom I touched the net, this is the best day of my life

Air Max's were next,

That air bubble, that mesh

The box, the smell, the stuffin, the tread, in school

I was so cool

I knew that I couldn't crease 'em

My friends couldn't afford 'em

Four stripes on their Adidas

On the court I wasn't the best, but my kicks were like the pros

Yo, I stick out my tongue so everyone could see that logo

Nike Air Flight, but bad was so dope

And then my friend Carlos' brother got murdered for his fours, whoa

See he just wanted a jump shot, but they wanted to start a cult though

Didn't wanna get caught, from Genesee Park to Othello

You could clown for those Pro Wings, with the velcro

Those were not tight

I was trying to fly without leaving the ground, cuz I wanted to be like Mike, right
Wanted to be him

I wanted to be that guy, I wanted to touch the rim

I wanted to be cool, and I wanted to fit in

I wanted what he had, America, it begins

Chorus:

I want to fly

Can you take me far away

Give me a star to reach for

Tell me what it takes

And I'll go so high

I'll go so high

My feet won't touch the ground

Stitch my wings

And pull the strings

I bought these dreams

That all fall down

We want what we can't have, commodity makes us want it

So expensive, damn, I just got to flaunt it Got to show 'em, so exclusive, this that new shit A hundred dollars for a pair of shoes I would never hoop in Look at me, look at me, I'm a cool kid I'm an individual, yea, but I'm part of a movement My movement told me be a consumer and I consumed it They told me to just do it, I listened to what that swoosh said Look at what that swoosh did See it consumed my thoughts Are you stupid, don't crease 'em, just leave 'em in that box Strangled by these laces, laces I can barely talk That's my air bubble and I'm lost, if it pops We are what we wear, we wear what we are But see I look inside the mirror and think Phil Knight tricked us all Will I stand for change, or stay in my box These Nikes help me define me, but I'm trying to take mine, off Chorus:

I want to fly
Can you take me far away
Give me a star to reach for
Tell me what it takes
And I'll go so high
I'll go so high
My feet won't touch the ground
Stitch my wings
And pull the strings

That all fall down
They started out, with what I wear to school
That first day, like these are what make you cool
And this pair, this would be my parachute
So much more than just a pair of shoes
Nah, this is what I am

I bought these dreams

What I wore, this is the source of my youth
This dream that they sold to you
For a hundred dollars and some change
Consumption is in the veins
And now I see it's just another pair of shoes

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