Crooked Smile

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I'm on my way, on my way, on my way down On my way, on my way, on my way down You're the one that was trying to keep me way down But like the sun know you know I found my way back roundThey tell me I should fix my grill cause I got money now I ain't gon' sit around and front like I ain't thought about it A perfect smile is more appealing but it's funny how My shit is crooked look at how far I done got without it I keep my twisted grill, just to show them kids it's real We ain't picture perfect but we worth the picture still I got smart, I got rich, and I got bitches still And they all look like my eyebrows: thick as hell Love yourself, girl, or nobody will Oh, you a woman? I don't know how you deal With all the pressure to look impressive and go out in heels I feel for you Killing yourself to find a man that'll kill for you You wake up, put makeup on Stare in the mirror but its clear that you can't face what's wrong No need to fix what God already put his paint brush on Your roommate yelling, "Why you gotta take so long?" What it's like to have a crooked smileI'm on my way, on my way, on my way down On my way, on my way, on my way down You're the one that was trying to keep me way down But like the sun know you know I found my way back roundTo all the women with the flaws, know it's hard my darling You wonder why you're lonely and your man's not calling You keep falling victim cause you're insecure And when I tell you that you're beautiful you can't be sure 'Cause he don't seem to want you back And it got you asking So all you see is what you lacking Not what you packing Take it from a man that loves what you got And baby girl you're a star, don't let 'em tell you you're not Now is it real? Eyebrows, fingernails, hair Is it real? if it's not, girl you don't care Cause what's real is something that the eyes can't see That the hands can't touch

That them broads can't be, and that's you Never let 'em see you frown And if you need a friend to pick you up, I'll be around And we can ride with the windows down, the music loud I can tell you ain't laughed in a while But I wanna see that crooked smileI'm on my way, on my way, on my way down On my way, on my way, on my way down You're the one that was trying to keep me way down But like the sun know you know I found my way back roundCrooked smile, we could style on 'em (back 'round) Crooked smile, we could style on 'em (back 'round) (You're the one that was trying to keep me way down Like the sun, I know you know I found my way back round)We don't look nothing like the people on the screen You know them movie stars, picture perfect beauty queens But we got dreams and we got the right to chase 'em Look at the nation, that's a crooked smile braces couldn't even straighten Seem like half the race is either on probation, or in jail Wonder why we inhale, cause we in hell already I asked if my skin pale, would I then sell like Eminem or Adele? Yo one more time for the 'Ville And fuck all of that beef shit, nigga let's make a mil Hey officer man, we don't want nobody getting killed Just open up that cell, let my brother out of jail I got money for the bail now, well now If you asking will I tell now? Hell naw I ain't snitching cause Man, they get them niggas stitches now If you was around, then you wouldn't need a witness now How you like this crooked smile?I'm on my way, on my way, on my way down On my way, on my way, on my way down You're the one that was trying to keep me way down But like the sun know you know I found my way back roundCrooked smile, we could style on 'em (back 'round) Crooked smile, we could style on 'em (back 'round) (You're the one that was trying to keep me way down Like the sun, I know you know I found my way back round)

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