

It's a Must

Rakim

If I lay low and let the day go, it'll slow my payroll
Aye yo, I'm a terrorize charge and slay shows
Ra slay flows go as far as the Barbados
On the turntable, sound like tornadoes My style is performed like tropical storms
You're not to get on, the whole spot will get torn
I keep the metropolitan hollerin' and bring the dollars in
Keep the models followin', wise as king Solomon Come slow through the jungle like an animal
Invade any land, I go like General Hannibal
From Long Island to Queens light up the New York scenes
All the way to New Orleans and everything in between Left to go, bless a show in Mexico
Next thing I know it's extra cold, I see Eskimo's
It's time to rock, get it hot soon as I get in there
Spit in they ear, so flow they froze and I disappear It's a must that I bust any mic that you hand to me
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It's inherited, it runs in the family They said I was ahead of my time or either here before
To see the idea clear it takes a year or more
Now times that by the years, I reign straight seven
No hear for four years, still multiplied by eleven The silence's a set back make 'em regret that
One way to get back is violence and wet cats
But hold your head black or I'll never rap again
Just when I thought I was out, they pulled me back in Now that was two years ago and if cats start interfering'
Then I'ma go back to the gat and racketeerin'
My sabotage is camouflage and espionage
You ain't havin' Ra so don't test the God I'm takin' all orders, I can't afford extorter's
I hit 'em in the head with a hundred dollars in quarters
So warn a friend, tell 'em it's on again
If it's a freestyle bust in a park I want in It's a must that I bust any mic that you hand to me
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It's inherited, it runs in the family I managed to get paid for a decade, now add three years on to that
Perform with a knack, yes I was born to rap
The mic, Lebanon Teflon don is back
I strike with better bombs and armed to attack So reload the van, go ahead, let 'em in
Every tour's a war and I'm on the road again
Surprise a town, the place it's live and loud
We vibin' now, I go wild and dive in the crowd Never hit the ground, they catch me and carry me around
Then put me right back on stage to shut it down
From New York to Cali, Japan and I-tali

I'm known as the microphone Muhammad Ali I'm worldwide, my brothers be biggin' me up
Keep the girls occupied lovin', diggin' me what
Ain't around, when I come to town they mad glad
Like Saddam, they even say I'm the bomb in Baghdad It's a must that I bust any mic that you hand to me
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