

# I.O.U.

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Yeah, levitating off the black top  
Used to struggle getting started now I can't stop  
Used to be the quiet kid in the sandbox  
Now it's hands up every time that your man rocks  
You all just saw me coming in again  
You mad, you thought we were synonyms  
Too bad that's the water you're getting in  
You're too fat for the sharks that you're swimming in  
From where I'm sitting contenders  
Are looking like fruits spinning around in a blender  
Hardly a snack when I'm here looking for dinner  
I eat 'em, delete 'em, they're barely beginners  
Main course is my main sport  
Play major but Minor's my main Fort  
Put a chain around everything I came for  
Look but don't touch sucker

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Thinking they deserve to have it next now  
Tell 'em take an I.O.U.  
Believe in what they're making up  
Talking loud but never really saying much  
Tell 'em take an I.O.U.  
I've been drawing plans out  
And they think I'm giving them a handout  
Tell 'em take an I.O.U.  
Thinking they're entitled to a piece, no  
I don't think so  
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Levitating in a blackout  
Used to drink a 40 'fore we mashed out  
Used to think that working 40 was a max-out  
Now I'm working even when I'm sleeping, do the math now  
'Cause even when I'm sleeping, eyes keep 'em open  
Stripe across them both the color of your hemoglobin  
A huge act man, like I'm known for being Logan  
X-23, I'm keen to leave 'em with a femur broken  
Taking it too far maybe  
Friends like Mike, I don't know who you are lately  
But pride and hate has made naysayers mistake me  
For wasted brain space, of ratings they gave me  
I don't need your respect, I got history  
I'm '81 Reagan with that nonsense, miss me  
Father like Francis, Anakin or John Misty  
Not to be touched, sucker

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