Yeah, hot summer morning
Summer but, ain't summer vacation yet
What them shorties doin on the block still?
Psst, 93 degrees
I ain't chilled on my front steps in a minute
Let me kick it

Yo, I travel round the world doin shows and such But no matter where I go, you know I'm never losin touch with home base, that's where I rest my head Sometimes I be in Paradise and yearn for home instead And this morning I'm here chillin right on my front steps And I'm watchin all the shorties tryin to flex they reps Like I got the hottest bike and I got the newest kicks And it's cool 'til you throw some crime up in the mix I'm been tellin little Corey even since he was six Just cause your mom's a chickenhead, don't get caught up with these tricks Now he's only thirteen and he's caught in a fix Quittin school and findin work to raise a seed in the bricks (damn) But I gotta believe he'll be aight Cause he's young and down to work and plus his family's tight Aiyyo there go my niggaz from (AH!), here come my niggaz from (YO!) Get over here while I twist this dro Yeah ma, we see ya shakin your head, don't get it twisted We all got jobs but right now we gettin lifted To build on the stress of the world (yo Kev match this) Tryin to tell the shorties these ghetto survival tactics But look at you with your stetch pants shakin that ass But soon as one of us step up to you, you startin actin gassed Like baby girl be cheddar or baby girl is out That's exactly what the fuck we right here talkin about

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Whether you on the dance floor shakin your hips Or your coolin on your steps makin beats with your lips Or even at the car wash shinin up the whip Turn this shit up, see that Mr. Akrobatik rips

Yeah, morning turns to afternoon around my spot You don't have to search for proof to see it's "Ghetto Red Hot" Cats know they should be in school, but still they not Instead they learn that crime is only crime if you get caught It would be better if there was a pops around To say ignore them dirty looks instead of "pop the clown" But right across the street you could see Big Kent No job, loungin on the fire escape bent Don't support his kids and his girl pay his rent If his seeds turn foul, it's not by accident Old men always diggin in my trash for cans Can't help but tell myself it's cause they lacked a plan Makes me thank God that I got a crew that's tight That even when we fight, don't lose sight of what is right Night's right around the corner, my niggaz is about to go But for now we just coolin outside puffin some dro

Yo, night strikes, the temperature drops
Everybody's more on they toes, crooks and cops (*police sirens*)

Off in the distance is sirens and light flashes
I contemplate what's goin on, while makin blunt ashes
I'm think to myself like 'HEY!'
It's been a minute since I sat on the steps all day
Hopin to hear somebody drive by bumpin Ak
But my people all confused by the commercial attack
Yo, one day I'll move from the city I love
But no matter when I rest the Bean I'm always thinkin of
Prayin that the black folk get it together
Unity, financial stability, whatever
Cause all I really see when I'm on my front steps
Is the possibility a whole generation slept
While I'm here I'll do my best to reverse that flow
But for now I'm just coolin right here puffin some dro

Yeah