

Back when I was in the thick of it
Used to dreams of days like this
Didn't know I could make it here
Stage fright, overcame those fears
Wrote raps 'til the ink ran dry
Want it so bad that I just might cry
Had my favorite tape on repeat
Listened all night 'til I fell asleep
Posters on the wall, man, I want it all
Used to practice my pose in the mirror
Thinkin' back to that'll make me tear up
Man, this rap shit saved my life
For me, it was do-or-die
Made me figure out who I really am
Rewinding the tape, my jam
So I had to let it play out
Music, my only way out
Headphones on 'til I blank out
It was my escape, what else could I say?
Kept me out that way, didn't go out to play
Favorite rapper was my best friend
Got me through the struggle, thick or thin
In my basement, listenin'
Studying so I can kick it then

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This real life, can't make this up
Can't believe I almost fucked this up
Almost crashed when the road got tough
Life got me down, but I got back up
Lost my trust, I was lying to myself
Got right where left, cryin' for help
Tightened my belt then took those steps
Thought it was cute how I flirted with death
Without y'all, couldn't even keep on
Lose in a fight, told me to stay strong
Everything I went through, put it in a song
Was by my side when I felt alone
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Feel so blessed, I passed that test
Know some failed, I was livin' in hell
But now it's heaven on earth
So I spit this verse and it ain't hard to tell
Y'all ain't no fan, y'all made me a man
Y'all like my angels on my shoulder
Devil in the rear view, I still hear you
I'ma keep goin' 'til my life is over

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