

## The Corner

De La Soul

Yeah, the 15 millionth time, 15 and 1  
Check it out  
Yo Com, how you rhyme to this slow shit  
Yeah yeah, check it out

Yo memories of the corner, we huddled and stayed in trouble  
Guzzled on 40 O-Z's and played the double and back  
We doublin crack, no wonder why they fear us  
We cussin cause our mommas couldn't hear us  
Young lovers'll cuddle at 15 shit, they seen the struggle so  
That makes him a man con-sidered he got plans but  
She don't understand that this is where them fools bust at  
Same corner where she go and catch the school bus at  
It ain't changed a bit, we stand circle and spit bars  
Cigarette butts scattered like glass shattered  
and pops he play the corner 'til his day comes, DAMN!  
Ambulances on the corner but hey, now it's offi-cial  
Cisco was the daze them cups of E&J  
Went down and hit a warm spot even in the winter's cold  
We had our snorkel and our winter playboys on  
These are the corners we was sent to play boys on  
Our socks is pockets, the guns is rockets  
It's where the after school fight was at, brand new bikes was at  
Fila suits, Kangols and new Nikes was at  
Same corner is today's same yesterday

I wish that I cold give you this feelin  
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We was livin on them corners, had a nigga rhymin, drinkin  
Whylin, potted out, livin HIGH!

We live it real, hard, revoke your zeal  
God don't come around here no mo'  
So why you screamin HIS NAME in vain when the pain hits  
Pick yourself up and get to a hospital quick  
But leave out the bit, about what went down  
I know they hound us for hawkin  
Just a flesh wound, stitch it up, keep it walkin  
Niggaz on the corners loyal, they ain't talkin (they ain't talkin)  
Put down the sea of chalk and  
The use of chalk is for lines of hopscotch  
Or tracin dead bodies for crimes that got botched  
For just crime commitin and it's, time to fit it  
in the schedule, cause them crosstown niggaz  
came to our corner sprayin that lead you pull  
Ain't nuttin deeper than pilin in the car  
with the streetsweeper so we can clear every star  
off the corner