Role Models

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Yeah, can we get the mic up just a bit
Yeah
Papertoy on the beat

Somebody tell us 'bout the way we livin' (Way we livin')
Some brother's dead and some are sent to prison (Sent to prison)
When I was young, you couldn't tell us different (Tell us different)
But then again, you weren't in our position, look into the
Eyes of a teen who's never had nothing (Nah)
Smoking bongs and drinking [?] with the speaker pumping (Shit)
Down [?] fifty-deep, relocate to the beach
A hundred teens getting chased by them punk police
And it was all fun and games until these drugs came (Drugs came)
Popping pills and drinking liquor till the sun came
Ain't nobody there to tell us from a man's view
I was snorting coke and selling drugs like a man do, at least that's what I thought
I know that's not the way I was taught
But there's some things a single mother couldn't teach us, of course
I learned my lesson from the street and nearly paid the price
Overdosing in the park and nearly took my life
And now I'm watching as a friend, he's lost it all to ice
Thinking will he ever get away from smoking glass pipes
Now he's at the bottom, old friends forgot him
Tried to get away but everybody tried to rob him
Ain't nobody there to guide him, he just copy what he's seen
Followed all the older kids, he turned into a fiend
So now I stop and think about my message to these teens
Ain't no role model here, just a brother with a dream, I just wanna see a change

Now everybody's asking me to change (Me to change)
I'm just tryna take away the pain (All the pain)
Everything that I was taught was in this bottle
All we know is what we see, and we ain't have no role models (Nah)
Everybody asking me to change (Me to change)
I'm just tryna take away the pain (All the pain)
Everything that I was taught was in this bottle (Ayy, ayy)
All we know is what we see, and we ain't have no role models (Ayy)

Old scars with new ways to cope
Old ways was smoke weed, pills and coke
Long days, my mum seen it the most
I was thinking 'bout my neck in a rope, that's why I can't go back
Glad I got my life on track
Now I can finally be the father that I never had
I keep my mind on my money, so we can never be broke
And on my time, because I know how much she needed that
In a position, these kids always need a person to listen
Always felt I was alone, 'cause we ain't had no pot to piss in
I was sixteen with big dreams of mad living
No role models, just older cousins that's drug dealing
Ice addicts and alcoholics in my building
2035, that's the place that I got my life visions
All I know is I'ma keep with the facts
I changed my life, and I ain't ever going back, I gotta be that role model

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Nah, we ain't never had no role models
All I ever knew in this bottle
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Hard when you don't really give a fuck about tomorrow
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