

(Step by step, heart to heart, left right left)

(We all (1)_____ down...)

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We all (2)_____ down... like toy soldiers

Bit by bit, torn apart, we never win

But the battle wages on for toy soldiers...

I'm supposed to be the soldier

Who never blows his composure

Even though I hold the weight of

The whole world on my shoulders

I am never supposed to show it

My crew ain't supposed to know it

Even if it (3)_____ goin' toe to toe

With a Benzino it don't matter

I'd (4)_____ drag (5)_____ in battles that

I can handle unless I absolutely (6)_____ to

I'm (7)_____ to set an example

I need to be the leader

My crew looks for me to (8)_____ 'em

If some shit ever just pop off

I'm supposed to be beside 'em

Now Ja said "I tried to squash it,

It was too late to stop it"

There's a certain line

You just don't cross and he crossed it

I heard him say Hailie's name

On a song and I just lost it

It was crazy

This (shit) be way beyond some Jay-z and Nas (shit)



I feel like we lost it

I spent too much energy on it

Honestly I'm exhausted

- And I'm so caught in it I almost feel
- I'm the one who caused it
- This ain't what I'm in hip-hop for
- It's not why I got in it
- That was (9)_____ my object for someone to get killed
- Why would I wanna destroy something I help build
- It wasn't my intentions
- My intentions was good
- I (10)_____ through my whole career
- Without ever mentionin'...
- Now it's just out of respect
- For not runnin' my mouth
- And talkin' about something
- That I knew nothing about
- Plus Dre told me stay out
- This just wasn't my beef
- So I did, I (11)_____ fell back
- Watched and gritted my teeth
- While he's all over TV down talkin' a man
- Who literally saved my life
- Like (fuck) it I understand this is business
- And this (shit) just isn't none of my business
- But still knowin' this (shit) could pop off at any minute cuz
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There used to be a time

When you (14)_____ just say a rhyme

And wouldn't have to worry about

One of your people dyin'

But now it's elevated

Cuz once you put someone's kids in it

The (shit) gets escalated

It ain't just words no more is it?

It's a different ball game

Callin' names and you ain't just rappin'

We actually tried to stop the 50

And Ja beef from happenin'

Me and Dre had sat with him

Kicked it and had a chat

With him and asked him not to start

It he wasn't gonna go after him

Until Ja (15)_____ yappin' in magazines how we stabbed him

(Fuck) it 50 smash 'em

Mash 'em and let him have it

Meanwhile my attention is pullin' in other directions

Some (16)_____ at The Source

Who answers (17)_____ at his desk

Has an erection for me

And thinks that I'll be his ressurection

Tries to blow the dust off his mic and make a new record

But now he's (fucked) the game up

Cuz one of the ways I came up

Was through that publication the same one

That made me famous



Now the owner of it has got a grudge against me for nothin'

Well (fuck) it, that (motherfucker) can get it too

(Fuck) him then

But I'm so busy being pissed off

I don't stop to think

That we just inherited 50's beef with Murder Inc.

And he's inherited mine

Which is fine ain't like either of us mind

We still have soldiers that's on the front line

That's willing to die for us as soon as we give the orders

Never to (18)_____ us, strictly to (19)_____ (20)____ support us

We'll (21)_____ shout 'em out in a rap or up in a chorus

To show (22)_____ we love 'em back

And let 'em know how (23)_____ it is

To have Runyan Avenue, soldiers up in our corners

Their loyalty to us is worth more than any award is

But I ain't tryna have none of my people hurt and murdered

It ain't worth it

I can't think of a perfecter way to word it

Then to (24) _____ say that I love ya'll too much

To see the verdict

I'll walk away from it all before I let it go any further

But don't get it twisted, it's not a plea that I'm coppin'

I'm just willin' to be the (25)_____ man

If ya'll can quit poppin' off at (26)_____ jaws with the knockin'

Cuz frankly I'm sick of talkin'

I'm not gonna let (27)_____ else's coffin

Rest on my conscience cuz

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- 1. fall
- 2. fall
- 3. means
- 4. never
- 5. them
- 6. have
- 7. supposed
- 8. guide
- 9. never
- 10. went
- 11. just
- 12. heart
- 13. right
- 14. could
- 15. started
- 16. receptionist
- 17. phones
- 18. extort
- 19. show
- 20. they
- 21. maybe
- 22. them
- 23. important
- 24. just
- 25. bigger
- 26. your
- 27. someone