

# Monotony

Afu-Ra

[Hook 4X: samples scratched by DJ Premier]

"Uprising surprising"

"Knowledge wisdom understanding"

[Afu-Ra]

Smooth like Johnny Cochran, I keep it movin through Brooklyn  
Base against the hymn, brings the sweat to the skin  
Reminisce of the days as a shorty  
Had no stress, no bills, was comin for me  
I lived it up, yeah, money ain't a thing  
Never thought twice on what my future bring  
Role models, naw I thought nothing of it  
Eyes fixed on skies and planes fly high above it  
Summer's comin, September's middle school  
Mom Dukes mad strict, she'll never raise a fool  
I'm comin up, clean the dirty from the ghetto  
So we can plant some seeds and watch them grow

[Chorus]

Right, knowledge wisdom understanding rules, right  
Everybody got to pay the dues, right  
Knowledge, wisdom understanding rules  
Everybody got to pay the dues

[Afu-Ra]

Tripped up by bad luck, 16 years and buck  
I realized the world might end, not givin up  
Stickin up, runnin up, comin up  
Turn it up, I see signs of blowin up  
Study life in every facet of my trainin  
We need masters in biology, zoology  
To overtake, Illuminati trick-nology  
Transform, reciprocate your mental state  
Now make a date to overtake your objective  
Show that through light, that everything is connected  
But not in categories, that's the Devil's story  
Symbols of cannibalism, ruin your vision  
The thoughts formulate in your mind with no precision  
So reenact, a rebirth, now you're the Phoenix  
When shorties see it, now that's the time they believe it  
Achieve it, your goals in life, don't be a casualty  
Infinite and intricate, monument

"Knowledge wisdom understanding"

[Chorus]

[Afu-Ra]

Right, knowledge wisdom understanding, rules  
"Uprising, surprising"

[Afu-Ra]

I know the next millennium seems like it's cursed  
That's why I have to rehearse  
Tune my physical, mental spits the lyrical  
It's so essential, transcends thoughts I'm into  
As we continue, touch rhyme styles I'm into  
All grown up, Junior High to 25  
A made man, tight connection with my brothers  
Bridgin gaps, dodgin traps with my raps  
Signs you're followin, shed more light  
Then a halogen, take a step back, now who you followin?

[Chorus 2X]

[Hook 4X]