

# Nobody Knows

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IIIIIIIIII didn't know, there'd be troubles along the way  
Nobody told me nothin, nobody told me nothin, nothin  
Well, well, ohh, ohhhh, ohhhhhh, oahh-ohhhh  
Well, ay-heyyy, ay-hey, we-ell  
Uh-huh, uh-huh-huh, uh-huh-huh, uh-huh-huh

I went through, 8 different schools in, 12 different years  
That's 30 different teachers, over ten thousand different peers  
And I done fought in e'ryone, been suspended e'rytime  
Besides a few a felony, done committed e'ry crime  
But never braggin on, just want you to see me what I done done  
I'm never proud of it, so I don't have to go back there again  
And uhh, I used to go like house to house (man)  
Sleepin on couch to couch (you know)  
Walk around stickin out my hands, lookin for a handout  
Only thing I handed out was more bills  
Only thing pulled me out was my will  
God told me the sun don't chill  
Determined to make use of one of these skills  
Either that or go beat the block  
Ain't no way you can beat the cops  
Ain't no way I can beat the clock  
Just a matter of time shut down your shop  
Ohh, you stay up day and nights, livin this way of life  
I was +Young and Restless+  
+All My Children+ came and then I had a +Guiding Light+ (hey)  
No more of that sittin mayne (c'mon) sittin and waitin  
and thinkin somebody comin to take me up off them streets  
But now I know..

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I don't believe, I've made it this far  
My whole life, man I've been workin so hard and I know  
Nobody told me that the road would be easy (Whoaaaaaaa, that the road)  
I can't believe, I've made it this far (Whoo, yeahhh)  
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I can tell you right now, I'm sayin  
I could sit here and count on one hand  
How many people seen me graduate  
I know a few that did but a bunch that ain't (hey)  
Same folks showin up in swarms, waitin for me to go on  
Wantin to see Ali perform, wasn't so po' before  
I became this household name  
I was playin them Little League games  
Nobody curred if I go 0-for-3  
Nobody out hurr rootin for me but my Momma  
Supported me in e'rything, "Why she get e'rything?"  
Some people got the nerve to ask  
Y'all can kiss my ass, and that's my Momma  
Got a sister that need my help (hey) and I gave peace all with wealth  
Give anything that I have, just to see her in perfect health  
Now we out hurr complainin, "I got work to do" (ohh)  
How bad you think you got it, somebody else got it worse than you (hey)  
I done had them down and ups and, don't plan on comin back down (no)  
Don't plan on leavin hurr no time soon, but I got too comfortable now  
Wouldn't have no knowledge of wealth, without no knowledge of self

And I'ma keep walkin this road - my mind, body and soul  
I know

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I didn't knowwww  
There'd be troubles along the way (I didn't know there'd be troubles)  
Nobody told me nothin (nobody told me nothin)  
That would help me to ease my pain (to help ease my pain, yeah)  
I've been walkin this rooooooad, for forever and a day (forever and a day)  
Now I've been searchin somethin (whoa-ohhh)  
For someone to help me find my way (somebody help me, find my way)  
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