

# Man, Not a Myth

2 Live Crew

This story began five years ago  
Took a funky idea and began to roll  
By doing something that was never done  
While getting paid, still having fun  
Being explicit straight from the streets  
Not forgettin' our roots to an up-tempo beat  
Taking what they say just for granted  
For us to give up, that's what they wanted  
To do it all, we'd be taking shorts  
'Cause at that time we were given no thought  
To follow another; we didn't see it  
We're the example for others to see  
In the beginning all we had was a phone  
And trust in each other was how we lived on  
Word was bond, we relied on true  
Faith in each other backed up by Luke

[We are]  
[Ghetto Style]  
[Perched in the South]  
[The king of the ghetto]  
[The man, not a myth]

The journey was long, but we fought the struggle  
We paid off in the end by the bundles  
In the beginning, some were against us  
But we proved them wrong, and made them envious  
So we kept on writing, the public kept on buying  
What we were making, they took a-likin'  
We found the market, hit the target  
We started the fire, but it's you who sparked it  
We stayed independent, and we didn't sell out  
We started off with no help from the White House  
The plot was perfect, though we needed a gimmick  
So we thought up this dance called Throw the Dizznick  
In no time at all, things started growin'  
Charts were showin' that sales were soarin'  
Then all the talkin', all the squawkin',  
They tried to take the name, but keep Skyy-walkin'

A black thing, from beginning to end  
Brothers in the business and loyal friends  
Steppin' on stages, movin' as one  
For the money and for the fun  
No matter how it goes, how bad it seems,  
When once seem down, we all come clean  
In unity, we all stand strong  
We all step together, no man walks alone  
No matter what, they can't stop us  
They ain't doin' us just 'cause, when it's just us  
Any circumstance we must overcome  
Let's keep the dream alive, and all get some  
And never mind those people with the negative vibe  
And never mind the people with the evil eyes  
'Cause they all flippin' somewhere out on a trip  
'Cause they don't understand the man and the myth