

## Panther Power

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As real as it seems the American Dream  
Ain't nothing but another calculated schemes  
To get us locked up shot up back in chains  
To deny us of the future rob our names  
Kept my history of mystery but now I see  
The American Dream wasn't meant for me  
Cause lady liberty is a hypocrite she lied to me  
Promised me freedom, education, equality  
Never gave me nothing but slavery  
And now look at how dangerous you made me  
Calling me a mad man cause I'm strong and bold  
With this dump full of knowledge of the lies you told  
Promise me emancipation indispute nation  
All you gave my people was our patience  
Fathers of our country never cared for me  
They kept my answer shackled up in slavery  
And Uncle Sam never did a dam thing for me  
Except lie about the facts in my history  
So now I'm sitting hear mad cause I'm unemployed  
But the government's glad cause they enjoyed  
When my people are down so they can screw us around  
Time to change the government now panther power

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Coming straight that resides within  
Go toe to toe with a panther and you just can't win  
Suffered fame bats suppressed the rest  
The rich get richer and the poor can't last  
The American Dream was an American nightmare  
You kept my people down and refuse to fight fair  
The Klu Klux Klan tried to keep us out  
Besides drew they know no blacks allowed  
With intimidation and segregation was a way for our freedom  
But now were impatient  
Blacks the other skin: dead or sell outs  
Freedom, equality, then I'll yell out  
"Don't you ever be ashamed of what you are  
It's ya panther power that makes you a star"  
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My Mother never let me forget my history  
Hoping I was set free chains never put on me  
Wanted to be more than just free  
Had to know the true facts about my history  
I couldn't settle for being a statistic  
Couldn't survive in this capitalistic  
Government cause it was meant to hold us back  
Using ignorant, drugs, to sneak attack  
In my community think of unity  
But when I charged them, tried to claim immunity

I strike America like a case of hard disease  
Panther power is running through my arteries  
Try to stop oh boy you'll be clawed to death  
Cause I'll be fighting for my freedom with my dying breath  
Do you remember that is what I'm asking you?  
You think you living free don't let me laugh at you  
Open your eyes realize that you have been locked in chains  
Said you wasn't civilized and stole your name  
Cause some time has passed seem you all forget  
There ain't no liberty to you and me we all ain't free yet  
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