

# Straight Off Da Head

Brand Nubian

Yeah, yeah, fo' your mind  
Hmmmright, let's see what we can come up with  
Record after record, yeaah, rhyme after rhyme check it

In the studio, on the first try  
On the verse high only birds fly  
You get out the pack like that y'all  
Straight off da head (what?), let niggas know I use to wear the pro  
Get three strikes yo, I used to have to court awarder  
but now I got a daughter and she gotta grow  
And I let her know that that ain't the way to go  
My name is X, yo I'm like a puzzle when I get released  
Just like I had my muzzle off, check it out yo  
I can never be sold  
You don't stop (and you don't quit) and you don't stop  
(We're makin hit after hit after hit y'all) Ya don't stop

Comin straight off da head one time it's the dread Lord J  
Come around the way, would you say?  
One time with my crew, manifessin  
Just like that, now who you think you tessin? Uhh  
Brand Nubian, my crew be in effect, uhh  
Get erect with the blunts and ya check  
right in, one time, goin to the bank, I'm  
cashin, and you know I be stashin  
in the mattress, one time with the phatness  
beats, I be blowin up, showin up  
at shows, checkin all the hoes  
Just like that and defeatin all my foes  
Go for jack

Yo my name is X, yo my name is X and I was born in  
the BX, I went to New Rochelle  
Know my man Mark the Spark who live in the Vernon  
And my man be they rhythm, dwell in Bronxdale, in the home of the  
boss, goin down the block or go to forest  
Keep on goin past Morris High School  
Then I go down the street to Courtland Ave.  
Vietnam, the male goes in Jackson  
Over the bridge, on 45th to 8th Ave.  
Go to 7th Ave., go to Polo Grounds  
Go to Drewham, 1-0-6 all the way to 1-10  
Black Puerto Rican and Dominican, check it out

Uhh, we're gonna show you how we live, take you straight across the bridge  
to Medina where the GODs is meaner, wisdom is cleaner  
Straight down on Flatbush Ave.  
Some of the streets in Brooklyn'll make you laugh  
Names like Myrtle and Willoughby  
Things like Scurmerhorn and Classun  
and funny names like that but still they got the gats rollin  
Just like that that's how we be strollin  
Maestro Manny and my man Big Ill, we fill blunts  
Just like that we kill stunts  
Guts, and what'cha want like that, we got nuts  
Just like that cos it's phat, uhhh

Check it out, yeah (Like that, ya don't stop)  
And I keep on goin, I keep on goin (Just like that ya don't stop)  
My head keep goin on  
Rob deep from mackadocious, your cut be close  
With the one blade, ever since the first grade  
I been a fan of the rap and I can do this  
I use to watch and listen, and watch the ol' time greats  
and watch em how they did things and I learned it well  
I rip in New Rochelle, that's where I dwell (Uhh)  
Check it out, my name is X, yo my man Mark the Spark's with me  
My man Serge got the urge to splurge, he came from Cleveland  
All the way from Ohio, he's gonna letcha know  
can you deal with his flow, yo yo?

Aiyo, peace to the GODs, peace to the Earth  
Peace to the birth of me and my seed Khari  
It's like that in effect one time, and I'm  
the black man, intelligent with the plan  
Islam be the bomb, droppin on the devils  
Goin to a higher level  
Peace to Farrakhan and the Nation like that  
Creation is black, one time, that's a fact  
Original solar, I'm Lord Jamar, yes I be the  
intelligent one, I be the sun shinin  
Like the light in the night, but still I be bright  
One time, now I recite the lessons for ya  
one time, messin for ya or  
check it out, without a doubt  
Peace to the GODs, sincere, makin it clear  
Peace to Tamiq, yeah that's the language we speak  
Peace to Knowledge, he didn't go to college  
but still he got the supreme mind