Ice Cube

Could you tell me who released our animal instinct? Got the white man sittin' there tickled pink. Laughin' at us on the avenue Bustin' caps at each other after havin' brew We can't enjoy ourselves Too busy jealous... Of each other's wealth Commin' up is just in me But the Black community is full of envy Too much back-stabbin' While I look up the street I see all the japs grabbin' Every vacant lot in my neighborhood Build a store, and sell their goods To the county of sips You know us po niggas: nappy hair and big lips? Four or five babies on your crotch And you expect Uncle Sam to help us out? We ain't nothin' but porchmonkeys To the average bigot, redneck honky You say comin' up is a must But before we can come up, take a look at US

And all y'all dope-dealers... Your as bad as the po-lice- cause ya kill us You got rich when you started slangin' dope But you ain't built us a supermarket So when can spend our money with the blacks Too busy buyin' gold an' Caddilacs That's what ya doin' with the money that ya raisin' Exploitin' us like the Caucasians did For 400 years - I got 400 tears- for 400 peers Died last year from gang-related crimes That's why I got gang-related rhymes But when I do a show ta kick some facts Us Blacks don't know how ta act Sometimes I believe the hype, man We're messin' up ourselves and blame the white man But don't point the finger you jiggaboo Take a look at yourself ya dumb nigga you Pretty soon hip-hop won't be so nice No Ice Cube, just Vannilla Ice And yall sit and scream and cus But there's no one ta blame- but US

US ... will always sing the blues
'Cause all we care about is hairstyles and tennis shoes
But if ya step on mine ya pushed a button
"Cause I'll beat you down like it ain't nothin'
Just like a beast
But I'm the first nigga ta holler out {PEACE, BLACK MAN}
I beat my wife and children to a pulp
When I get drunk and smoke dope
Got a bad heart condition
Still eat hog-mogs an' chitlin's
Bet my money on the dice and the horses
Jobless, so I'm a hope for the armed forces
Go to church but they tease us
Wit' a picture of a blue-eyed Jesus

They used to call me Negro
After all this time I'm still bustin up the chiffarobe
No respect and didn't know it
And I'm havin' more babies than I really can afford
In jail 'cause I can't pay the mother
Held back in life because of my color
Now this is just a little summary
Of US, but yall think it's dumb of me
To put a mirror to ya face, but trust
Nobody gives a fuck about...