

## Livin' in a World (They Didn't Make)

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Children are called the future of an adult world  
They are born with spirits so innocent  
Til we teach them how to hate  
Add to the world's confusion  
We teach our kids rules  
That we don't adhere to ourselves  
Right or wrong  
What example can they take  
The people we learn from  
Forge the ideas we become

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Children grow to become our young adults  
Problems of the world  
They must learn how to confront  
Doing drugs and joining gangs to rebel  
Colors show they belong  
To the social override  
Cause they're living in a space  
They feel out of place

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