

# The Becoming

## Little Brother

I went from niggas tellin' me I really shouldn't rhyme  
To droppin' a classic album muhfuckers couldn't find  
Took my respect, took lessons and took the time  
And if you want a success story, just take a look at mine

I was blessed with the right components, so precise  
'Cause I write so tight within the moment  
And spit like my life depended on it, I target you herbs  
On some teleprompter shit, I got you watching your words

Tay rhymes are real life, yours are so 'For instance'  
Taxin' these niggas like no dependents  
12 bar courtroom drama with no co-defendants  
Don't beat it off, come to your senses, you know, nigga

Hard rock, my block is where you better be from  
Top of the line, my team will never settle for crumbs  
And he's hated, but still rated 2nd to none  
I'm everything you wanna be but have yet to become

It all started back in '99 when time was hard  
North Carolina Central but we called it the yard  
'Cause niggas wasn't trying to study abroad  
They was tryinna study a broad or two ir three up in the dorms

Met my nigga Chaundon and I started to ponder  
"Fuck this, I'mma quit the football team tomorrow"  
Did shows around town and word got around that battling Tay  
Was like yelling 'spic' in Tijuana

Build my rep up, that's when Pooh and 9th stepped up  
9th was old school, Pooh was young and playing catch-up  
Cool, 'cause he could still rock an instrumental  
Our first joints, yeah they was wack

But niggas could hear potential in 'em  
Honing our skills for survival, hustling  
Our flyers passed out like mamma at revival  
The real deal on how I repped my peeps  
You ain't goin' find this in no press release

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And he's shook  
That's what your team is telling me, son  
Still hated, but still rated 2nd to none  
And Greensboro 'cause that's the only 'boro I'm from  
I'm everything you wanna be, but have yet to become