50-50 chance, 50-50 chance... When I got a nine it's a 50-50 chance... Straight youngsta Tryin' to survive in the streets of my town But everyday another brotha gets bucked down So I keep a gat to watch my back You lack, you loose your life, fool, and it's like that See, I was born in slums so I know what to expect And killin' a fool on a block gots you much respect And ain't nobody gonna cross a playa in the game Put a cap in your ass and add stripes to my street fame This is the way we thought and still think everyday I keep my vest on cause ain't no tellin' when I get blown away I see fear in my mother's eyes and I know if I die I'm gonna hurt my mother's soul And she's all what a player got but she's gotta understand I got love for my block, see, it's my choice, I'm an own man But to survive in these streets of Oakland Life's a chance... 50-50 chance, 50-50 chance... When I got a nine it's a 50-50 chance... See, brief me: in god I trust But in order to stay alive, my nine I have to bust See, I chose this way of life, I never really tripped What was wrong and what was right, I had a family at home I can't get paid at Mickey D's so I gots to get my grind on See, life wasn't bad, if I can do then I did it And I make sure my family had, I was the oldest Since my duty, my job So on the back of my sweater read 69th Mob I had to hustle and grind, stay strapped with 9-milly Ain't no shame and neither the players feel me Late night I bought a 400 sack I got my partner in the cut strapped watchin' my back Killin' ain't nothin' more than a ??? I keep a strap, mothafuckas, cause these fools are to blast Didn't see a fool in the cut and furious shots Two of my partners dropped, now I'm reachin' for my Glock I'm runnin' around squeezin my trigga Is this the method of a surviver or the method of a straight killa He'll get me if I don't get him first So I gotta let the nine bust it, put his ass in a hearse This is the way of life, the ghetto dance When I got a nine, it's a 50-50 chance... 50-50 chance, 50-50 chance... When I got a nine it's a 50-50 chance... Two of my partners died over gang-related funk So I'm ridin' around town with a semi-automatic pump My boy Pam got my back See I refuse to be a coward, I can't go out like that So much pain over a lost of a loved one

But if you give a bullet, ya gotta be down to take one

Everyday it's a motha...

That's the way we think, nigga, down here in the Gutter
So I'm creepin' to catch him sleepin'
And he started to fleein'
Hittin' fences like the Angel of Death
Pam broke right and I broke left
We got him with it, now he's pleein' for his life
The Angel of Death is in your faith
Boom! You lose your life
I pulled the trigga cause he killed two of my friends
His mother's gonna cry cause he won't get another chance...

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