

## Lessons

### R.A. the Rugged Man

"R-A what's the lesson for today Rugged Man"

"I am the legendary..R-A"

Yo aiiyo people wonderin' where the fuck I been  
At the VIP section they ain't lettin' me in  
They say; maybe if you had Dr. Dre or Timbaland  
They say; a white boy need a black boy to win  
Uhh Bubba Sparxx did it and so did Slim  
Just Blaze is hot now why don't you get with him  
I watch mad rappers bite my shit and blow up  
And make millions of what I created, that's tough luck  
I first started gettin' coverage around the same time  
Steve Stout used to carry kid and placed luggage  
I seen rappers turned from sex symbols in hard throbs  
To bein forgotten now they out lookin' for jobs  
I seen EPMD break up  
I seen my little brother Max fall asleep and he ain't never wake up  
So when I rhyme listen, seriously  
When I spit I'm givin' you the truth clearly who I really be  
It's an audio version of reality TV  
I had deals from Russell Simmonds to Master P  
Even five year old white girls be rappin' today  
On the playground like 'go shorty it's ya birthday' (Go, go, go..)

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Yo yo yo I seen good days sun rays church sundays  
Made love made war been rich been poor  
Lost friends lost hoods lost my dough  
Seen beef between Bad Boy and Death Row  
I seen deceased take the life for my sisters kid  
Six months on the earth is what he had to live  
I seen Biggie Big L Big Pun pass away  
Buffy from the Fat Boys, Jam Master Jay  
I mumble 'fore they blew up with Mystikal and Jay-Z  
The Neptunes came to see me at D & D  
I knew this chick named Norah a lounge singer  
A year later she a six Grammy award winner  
I seen flatliners I seen cannabisses  
I seen Lil Zane see I seen mad misses  
You ran through that ten percent disses  
I seen A & R's get fired for takin' pisses  
Stop whinin' the fuck nobody listens  
Who else riskin' they career they stick to be indifferent  
Switchin' the tradition stickin' to this shit they really livin'  
I don't care what's hittin'  
Listen this is my fuckin' life that I'm spittin'

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I made peace with myself now how bout that  
I hated life I wanted to die a few years back  
I was mentally ill it's hard to come back from that

But I got through it now I got my sanity back  
Y'all are like H-B-O fighters get the money and fame  
Get beat up like Klitschko and Sugar Shane  
Or get beat like Vernon Forrest or Prince Naseem  
And you all turn pussy when you get that green  
I got love for Havoc from Mobb Deep  
When I was broke sleepin' in the street  
He hooked me up with a free beat  
Alchemist you still my little buddy  
Although you stole that Royce the 5"9 +The King+ beat from me  
I ain't down to sign autographs and shake ya hands  
I don't want trendy ass followers as fans  
I don't wanna sell records, I don't wanna be big  
I don't want MTV runnin' up in my crib  
I don't wanna be light in the music biz  
I don't want fans that don't know who G Rap is

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