

## Rising Down

## The Roots

(feat. Dice Raw, Mos Def, Styles P)

Hello hello hello hello...

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[Mos Def]

Every anywhere heights plains peaks or valleys

Entrances exits vestibules and alleys

Winding roads that test the firm nerve

Fortune or fatal behind the blind curve

The engine oil purr, lights flash to a blur

Speed work through the earth make your motor go scurrr

Tonight at noon watch a bad moon rising

Identities in crisis and conflict diamonds

Blinding staring at lights 'til they cryin'

Bone gristle popping from continuous grindin

Grapes of wrath in a shapely glass

Ingredients influential on your ways and acts

Zero tolerance to raise the tax

It don't matter how your gates is latched

You ain't safe from the danger jack

Made it way before they made the map

Or a GPS this is DEF leader

[Dice Raw]

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[Black Thought]

Between the greenhouse gases and earth spinnin off its axis

Got mother nature doin back flips

The natural disasters

It's like 80 degrees in Alaska

You in trouble if you not an Onasis

It ain't hard to tell that the conditions is drastic

Just turn on the telly check for the news flashin

How you want it bagged, paper or plastic?

Lost in translation or just lost in traffic?

Yo I don't wanna floss I done lost my passion

And I ant trying to climb, Yo I lost my traction

They makin' me break, my contents under pressure

Do not shake, I'm workin while the boss relaxin

Here come Mr. tax man, he leavin a fraction, give me back some

Matter fact next pay check it's like that son

I'll fuck around and have to hurt a few men

They probably chalk it up as a disturbing new trend, Hello

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[Styles P]

Should I say hello or should I say that hell is low  
Am I nigga or a niggero? I'm an African American  
They sell drugs in the hood but the man, he move the medicine  
He'll prescribe you all-med for everything  
A little stuffy nose tell you get some Claritin  
You know I'm hip to it and its hard to claim the land  
When my great great great grands were shipped to it  
look at technology they call it downloading  
I call it downsizing somebody follow me  
Does a computer chip have an astrology  
And when it fuck up could it give you an apology (Could it?)  
Should it say hello or should it say goodbye  
Try to understand how smart and how hood am I  
It don't matter though  
Until we learn that the world don't turn right  
We all oughta the scatter though

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