

# Bow Wow, Big Dreams

"It's not - It's not me exactly, who touches people

It's what I represent, the possibility that dreams long ago

May still come true, even if they - even-even-even if they look lost forever"

[Bow Wow]

I had a homey named Tony, sixteen, six two

Headed to the NBA straight from high school

My nigga had his ball game on lock

But at the same time, he was in love with the block

All the stuff that came wit it, the drugs and the guns

The gangs, the slang and all the funds

He just got a letter of contempt from the Cavaliers

Sayin' how they love him and they wish he was there

He had +it made+ like +Special Ed+, about to get the bread

But chose, to do, sumthin' dumb instead

Go to war with the crew on the other side of town

and was mo' ready, and Tony got laid down

He ain't even have a chance

Died before the ambulance, even got to him

So many went through him

I hate to tell the story, but that's how it is

Growin' up in the hood as a kid

[Chorus]

When you got big dreams, don't listen to what nobody say

and don't let nobody turn you away

When you got big dreams, keep your eyes on the prize

Don't fall to the waste side ("even-even if they look lost forever")

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Don't listen to what nobody say and don't let nobody turn you away

When you got big dreams, keep your eyes on the prize

Don't fall to the waste side, reach for the sky ("even-even if they look lost forever")

I knew this girl named Gina that was a hell of a singer  
and everybody fell in love with her when they seen her  
Baby girl was on the verge of signing a big deal  
Eighteen, and life looked so-so real  
She was stuck wit a dude that was all bad news  
and all he ever did was give baby the blues  
But she was true to a nigga, do for a nigga  
Pop you and ya whole crew for a nigga  
One night he came, picked her up told her, "let's ride!"  
That's the same night that he watched her die!  
They was tryna hit a lick, but the lick hit back  
Put a end to the deal, and all of that  
She ain't even have to be there, he know it wha'nt right  
Now he gotta deal with it for the rest of his life  
and the part I don't like, he ain't even get graze  
but homegirl, Gina, is layin' in the grave

[Chorus]

I got a few relatives given family drama  
Always got they hands out when they see me and my momma  
One coulda been a doctor, the other a chef  
But when he got his own kitchen, he was cookin' sumthin' else  
Now his life in the drain, a triflin' shame  
He all washed up, wife took e'rything  
No car, no mo', no HOUSE  
and everywhere he go, he stole, so they throwed him out  
I was growin' up, lookin' up to be like them  
Now I'm throwin' up cash, rollin' up in the Bent  
I was stuck wit a dream I had since a shorty  
I be DAMNED if I let another man support me, now  
Uncle Junebug's sick, skinny as hell

He got AIDS in his body from the needles he shared  
E'rytime he get his welfare checks, he don't care  
You wanna see him go to the crack house, he there

[Chorus]

When you got big dreams  
When you got big dreams (&quot;even-even if they look lost forever&quot;)  
When you got big dreams  
When you got big dreams, keep your eyes on the prize  
Don't fall to the waste side, reach for the sky  
(&quot;even-even-even if they look lost forever&quot;)