Canibus, The Rip Off

[crowd chanting] Can-i-bus, Can-i-bus, Can-i-bus Can-i-bus, Can-i-bus, Can-i-bus [x2]

[Hook: x2]

Can I rip it? (Yes you can!) Can I rip it? (Yes you can!) Can I rip it? (Yes you can!) Well I'm gone (Ohhhhhh!)

[Verse 1]

Yo, my brain races to create these lyrical mosaics like paintings To me record store and art galleries are merely the same thing I feel like I'm Rembrandt and my man Van Gogh is amazin Canibus is not some average rap patron, have patience I went through changes, not being with the majors and all

'Til my man Louie Lombard gave me a call and talked about some other way to cake off

I thought hmmm.. I could make more, he said "Sure"

"I could put you in about three thousand stores,

and get at least fifty thousand orders"

"Maybe more 'Bus, who knows your fanbase is emormous"

Well of course, look who I've toured with; Wyclef

I didn't sell twenty million cuz it wasn't my time yet

I'm satisfied with the line up I rhyme with Kool G Rap, Pharoahe Monch, and Rakim

Including future superstars I've worked with thus far

Like Free, from 106 and Park

You need to understand somethin; 'Bus is raw

Raw to the floor, raw like reservoirs,

Auger mechanical mandible jaws, split you in half

Addicted to rippin jackers, but I rip a jackass

Before we battle, there's two questions I have to ask

Are you carrying any firearms, and did you pack your bags?

Cool, cuz I'ma make you feel real bad

And I'ma make you so mad, you'll probably spazz

I can see you tryna get me like they got Biggie

Somewhere in the city, on a pretty day when I dressed in Jiggy

And I got security with me

I'll give you a buck-fifty so quickly,

you won't even know that ya nose dripping

So much blood on the floor, you might as well be pretending

to be mudwrestling a dozen bitches PMSing

Sounds kinda tempting, doesn't it?

Dissing me wasn't really worth it, was it?

I'm buggin, I know a lot of y'all loved it

and tryed to convince the public to safe bug this

But just think, I played y'all like a bunch of puppets

You play Russian Roulette with a musket,

and got busted in your own nugget

A twenty-one gun salute with no bullets and no trumpets

While the rain pours and the storm thunders

Your rotten carcass smells so pungent, it turns my stomach

Attracts the buzzards, on Fox Eyewitness News coverage

Rip the Jacker's on the loose in London,

he slipped through US customs and flew to Dublin

Frontin as a janitor in a school or somethin

Workin for little or nothin, I'm warnin you DON'T TRUST HIM

He's a complete risk to the American public

And don't ever call the law cuz he thinks he's above it

Let's get one thing straight; you can't touch him,

Outsmart him, out muscle him, or out hustle him

You can't beat 'em - join 'em, you can't join 'em - fuck 'em

Can-I-Bus, either ya hate him or ya love him

[Hook: 2x]

[Verse 2]

Yeah yeah, I seen you at Ruby Tuesday's With a toupee, talkin on ya two-way -- you look gay Nigga I don't give a fuck about the games you play I gnaw on ya bones 'til my teeth turn blue-gray Or turn yellow like I ain't brushed in a few days And the blood starts to taste like red toothpaste Nigga this ain't communion and that ain't Kool-Aid Delicacies the FDA won't approve in the states Like a little witche's brew in your vanilla latte Or perhaps Filet of Dog in a Malaysian cafe If I was a cook I would probably take a half day Clock out and never come back, you keep the back pay That's some metaphorical shit, all you have A Is that why all you weirdos all attracted to me? Look at yourself, why you even listen to me? Listen to yourself, your constantly dissin me Well listen to this bitch, get off my D If you don't think that I'm the illest, that's cool I don't agree I proved myself, time and time again Grippin mics like Heinekens, who want me to rhyme again? You could never expire the fire within Killin me with a gun is easy, try a pen For the use it was intended I don't like to be the one to start the drama nigga, but I know how to end it Kill yourself I'll take the credit - get it? You see that way, things couldn't work out more pleasant