

# Erykah Badu, Apple Tree

I'd like to dedicate this to all of the Creator's righteous children.  
I have some food in my bag for you.  
Not that edible food -- the food you eat?  
No. I have some food for thought.  
Since knowledge is infinite it has infinitely fell on me.  
So umm...

It was a stormy night  
you know the kind where the lightning strike  
and I was hangin' out wit some of my "artsy" friends  
ooh wee ooh wee ooh

The night was long the night went on  
people coolin' out until the break of dawn  
incense was burnin' so I'm feelin right -- ah'ight  
See I picks my friends like I pick my fruit  
& Ganny told me that when I was only a youth  
I don't go 'round trying to be what I'm not  
I don't waste my time trying ta get what you got  
I work at pleasin' me cause I can't please you  
and that's why I do what I do

My soul flies free like a willow tree  
doo wee doo wee do wee

And if you don't want to be down with me  
You don't want to pick from my appletree  
And if you don't want to be down with me  
Then you don't want to pick from my appletree  
And if you don't want to be down with me  
Then you don't want to pick from my appletree  
And if you don't want to be down with me  
You just don't want to be down

I have a ho  
and I take it everywhere I go  
Cause I'm planting seeds  
so I reaps What I sow -- ya know  
Oh on & on & on &  
my cipher keeps movin' like a rollin' stone  
I can't control the soul flowin' in me  
ooh wee

See I picks my friends like I pick my fruit  
& Ganny told me that when I was only a youth  
I don't walk around trying to be what I'm not  
I don't waste my time trying ta get what you got  
I work at pleasin' me cause I can't please you  
and that's why I do what I do

My soul flies free like a willow tree  
doo wee doo wee do wee

And if you don't want to be down with me,  
You don't want to pick from my appletree [x3]  
And if you don't want to be down with me  
You just don't want to be down

Oh my my my  
Oh my my my  
Oh my my my ahh  
Oh my my my my my my my  
Ohh

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And if you don't want to be down with me  
You don't want to pick from my appletree

And if you don't want to be down with me  
You dum dum diddy  
And if you don't want to be down with me  
You don't want to pick from my appletree  
And if you don't want to be down with me  
You just don't want to be down  
You just don't want to be down  
Ohh you just don't want to be down  
Down, down, down  
You just don't want to be down  
Ohh  
You just don't want to be down  
down [x15]  
wanna be down  
no oh no  
You just don't want to be down  
no no no  
You just don't want to be down