Nas, The Second Coming

[Nas]

Third grade, singin Star Spandled Banner

Using proper manners, learned to handle anger

Animal behavior

Later on my block rockin wit my jocks on

Eating Bon Ton cheese popcorn, hummin a KISS rock song

Socks long to my knees

Summer breeze runnin through the leaves

Playin freeze tag, can I stay out, please dad?

Can I hang wit my little gang out?

Hearin shots rang out, heard my moms call my name out

Come upstairs, run up stairs

Take a bath, shit stained underwears

Wipe yourself wit paper

Bad little ass in my bed at 8:30

Wash my plate, ate dinner up late

Gazing at the wall, prayin basketball

Was my future for this young one

Hooping in the sun, proud to be where I come from

Later shootin guns fantasizing

Fascinated by gold rope chains

Looking back at my hood days but things ain't change

[Chorus] *all Nas samples* 2x

" Nasty-Nasty-Nasty Nas is a rebel to America "

" Lyrical professor, keep ya under pressure"

"It's like that, you know it's like that"

"Nas-Nas'll catch wreck", "You got the mad fat fluid" [Nas]

Bumpy Johnson style, old timers, crocodile shoes

Pinky rings, bank robbers wit two's, boss of wild crews

Slacks overlapsed, apple jack hats, quarter field coats

Cadillacs wit white walls and chrome wheel spokes

They was organizing, investing in a piece of the hood

They had drugs, bettin numbers, police understood

They played the Cotton Club, red carpet, hoes on they arm

Plush minks, pimped out gangstas, civil rights wasn't won

E'ry Christmas they was Santa Claus

Nixon was the anti-christ

Bitches ass was bigger than sniffin nose candy white

Listenin to Malcom speak, talcum powder shaving cream

Layin back, barber chair, straight razor clean

Babies is born, big families started to blossom

Mad people just applied for apartments and got em

Used to be rules to this game of hustlers and dealers

From tommy guns to mac 10's

QB's new born killers (shit is changed)

Chorus 2x

[Nas]

Yo everytime I turn around, niggas shot, niggas stabbed

Winter nights, pregnant girls strugglin to get a cab

Fiends lurkin, D's searchin, pat pockets

Kids quick to bed but they heads from gats poppin

Queensbridge slingers hoppin out Benzes, don status

Dope fiends got syringes, poppin out they arms sractchin

I remember park jams

Gazelles, perfect wave shell

Adidas, smellin reefer way before purple haze

Private stock bare, niggas wit ill walks like Mark Clare

Hats tilted, wild niggas lickin shots in the air

Me and Pop was there, through the years our names would switch

Ain't nuttin changed but the names Nastradamus and Blizz

What project is this?

QB, Vernon and Tenth

12th Street, murderous pimps, hot as hell's heat

What could you tell me, nigga's seen it all in this game When it's all said and done, just remember my name Chorus 2x