Talib Kweli, Here We Go

(Chorus)

Here we go, here we go, here we here we go X4 (dispersed through the first chorus)
Teodross Avery in the house tonight
Put your hands together ladies and gentlemen
You understand, yo we also got my man
A close personal friend of mine, Talib Kweli
Blackstar, Reflection Eternal
Yo, put it down like this

(Verse 1)

I'm sayin African blood race through my vein

You can hear it in my name And you can feel it in my game

I'm sayin the streets is drama

Make me wanna rock my body armor

Still I'm probably calmer

Than your average Dalai Lama

I use the meditation, I stay patient

But I never deal with hesitation

I'm way blunted yo, I can give a what

If your favorite stations feelin me

These rap cats are killin me

No type of stability

My ability got more cats in New York

Running than Hilary

We be chillin, where the blood be spillin

We got the red badge of courage for bravery

Me and my man Teodross Avery

Blow away the legacy of slavery

Through any phone, sax or a micro

Hotter than a light show with the pyro-techniques

Through the speakers let the best speak

In less we forget where we come from

Blast you into next week now you got

History to run from

(Chorus)

(Verse 2)

My work ethic, keep me deep in the cut like anti-septic

Respected in the world where people faker than prosthetics

Stay true to a certain aesthetic

Protect it like the hip-hop secret service

Cat off top lookin nervous

Wondering when we gonna set it

Anticipation will kill you if you let it in your aura

Reflect it like god's face upon the water

You can't lead a man to water

Like you can a lamb to slaughter

So I concentrate on me so I can

Keep my plans in order

I clutch like King Cobra

I rock while ya'll boulder

Chop emcees up, put em in the grinder

Like farmer of Dakota

Cuz I'm colder than a polar

Walk, talk and stand on my ancestors shoulders

Told you we at wear like sista soldier

Battle tactics, spray wars

Like gat clips, full metal jackets

That hit, BAW!

Got you lookin acrobatic doing back flips

Even if the track skips, We improv like Jazz Artists Freestyle, hop back on the beat and rock regardless

(Verse 3) I'm saying, ya'll with me tonight? I'll travel at the speed of light When I see the mic, I get this on lock Cuz my song is in the key of life I roll with my ???? Cuz we be alike Consider them family Make sure they all eating right See the plan is to feed the fam Then free the land, before I get old I can't be young forever like Peter Pan Cats pale in comparison So bad they need a tan Barely see they hand Craft they face like a seed of sand See the ??? you got to beat the man Understand I'm saying The writing on the wall like a paint can Spraying graffiti on your soul Music completely make me whole I'm saying, trying to keep my Pockets on swoll To give back to the community Make a future for you and me From my birth certificate to my eulogy Usually in Brooklyn But my mind keep it movin Ain't no mystery Cuz we showin and provin

(Chorus)