

# Rage Against the Machine, Township Rebellion

Rebel, rebel and yell  
'Cause our people still dwell in hell  
Locked in a cell  
Yes, the structure's a cell  
Mad is the story I tell  
How long can we wait?  
Come on, seein' what's at stake  
Action for reaction  
If your mind's in a somewhat complacent state  
Get a check up  
This is a stick up  
Our freedom or your life  
Lord, I wish I could be peaceful  
But there can be no sequel  
Now freedom must be fundamental  
In Johannesburg or South Central  
On the mic, 'cause someone should tell 'em  
To kick in the township rebellion  
Yeah, what about that, sucker?  
Yeah, so you thought you could get with the hardlines  
That fill your mind  
Thoughts, battles fought  
And lessons taught  
Yes I'll display the fitness  
And flip like a gymnast  
Raise my fist and resist  
Asleep, though we stand in the midst  
Of a war  
Gotta get mine  
Gotta get more  
Keepin' the mic warm against the norm  
'Cause what does it offer me?  
I think often it's nothin' but a coffin  
Gotta get wreck  
Till our necks never swing on a rope  
From here to the cape of no hope  
Now freedom must be fundamental  
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To kick in the township rebellion  
Why stand on a silent platform?  
Fight the war, fuck the norm  
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What's it gonna take?  
Euuurrrggghhhhh!  
Shackle their minds when they're bent on the cross  
When ignorance reigns, life is lost  
Shackle their minds when they're left on the cross  
When ignorance reigns, life is lost  
Shackled our minds when we're bent on the cross  
When ignorance reigns, life is lost  
Shackled our minds when we're left on the cross  
When ignorance reigns, life is lost, lost, lost!  
Shackle your minds and you're left on the cross!  
When ignorance reigns, life is lost!  
Just shackle your minds when you're bent on the cross!  
When ignorance reigns, life is lost, lost!

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