# Talib Kweli, Perfect Beat

"Check this out..."

[KRS-One]

Hoooooooooooo-! (HEY DJ!) WHAT? ("I know you're gonna dig this")

Yeah, yeah, yeh yeh! KRS, ohhhh~! Talib Kweli

Talib this is crazy, yo this is crazy

Hah... what'chu doin?

Throw your hands up, c'mon

[T] BK to BX and every place in between, it's all 7-18 like

[K] Grand Concourse, whassup!

## [Talib Kweli]

We got beats to the rhyme and the rhyme is so fresh yo

So what'chu got? 9's and tecs, you no threat

It's the beat, how you get your cake don't matter

It takes heart the lyrics been replaced with the swagger

I stay sharp enough to slash your face like a dagger

The actors been replaced with the rappers

The rappers been replaced with the actors, see how they try to stay on the beat

The pig route when he walkin down the street to the beat

## [KRS-One]

WOOP~! Sound of da police

What is the life of a true hip-hopper, the beats

Peace love unity livin proper with the beats

In any endeavor whatever we will prosper with our beats

Some cats are real, other are impostors with beats

We the realest, livest

The rawest, crack cocaine heroin survivors with beats

We avoided the cops, we focused on beefs

Spittin, all we saw was stacks of rhymes written, elite

Way too smart for the system of course

We know a smart free black man just pisses 'em off!

What they like is when we glisten and gloss

Flashin millions but still takin a loss

Bump the beat! Yeah, all in the street

Talib yo, I think it's 'bout time to speak

#### [Talib Kweli]

Yeah... yeah... word~!

Watch me take it there, life ain't no Christmas there

Hell yeah it's crystal clear when Kweli and Kris is here

Searching for the perfect beat I went to East Dayt'

It's crazy and fugazi how they slaves to they release date

They try to look away, they're scared to look inside

Askin why like a guy who look for God up in the sky (that's right)

Searchin high and low, behind the do', inside the drawer

Little did he know that the beat was tryin to find a flow

Stuck in limbo, how low can you go

A punched hole through your stomach lining like Tylenol

Build all kind of rolled, metaphors and similies

that'll have you doubtin my competitor's abilities

My whole body is a spiritual facility

Rock a vest after a lyrical killing spree

The illest delivery, later for the talk we need action

Silence is golden but the violence is platinum

When you rappin to the beat

### [KRS-One]

Boom, bap, who's, that?

KRS-One bring the beat back

The perfect beat we seek that, knowledge of mind we speak that

We don't speak weak crap over weak tracks

MOVE, THAT; we speak boom bap live in the club We can show and prove that

[Talib Kweli]

Yeah, it ain't old school or new school it's true school rap Beat you 'til you're blue and black, true dat, it's

[KRS-One]

Better beat win again, work the street Movin again, insert the heat Lookin again for the perfect beat Don't look in the book to learn to eat Write up a hook, learn to speak Never be shook, follow the heat Forever they look weak T.K. you must speak!

[Talib Kweli]

Teachin 'em how to eat to live
They cheap and their pimp is pleadin the fifth
Bleedin as if they goin to war
Everytime they leavin the crib
Sneakers and whips, police be peepin the strip
You see 'em walkin the beat
Hoes believin the pimps who eatin the shrimps
So John's walkin the street
Lookin for a sweet face, in each case
Tryin to get they heartbeat racin, and the dark meat be tastin
so delicious, my description so good to the beat
It's lifted right from the sounds that you hear in the hood when you sleep

[KRS-One]
Bring the beat back!
All that whackness, we don't need that
You gotta bring the beat back!
All that whack garbage, we don't need that
Bring the beat back! All that weakness we don't need that
Selector bring the beat back, bring the beat back!
Selector, listen!

[Talib Kweli] Yeah, DJ Rhettmatic Talib Kweli, hip-hop