## The Roots, Mellow My Man

[Black Thought] One two Yes, The Roots layin back, rela-xin Coolin out with my man Malik B we call him Sla-xon Yaknowhatl'msayin? We in effect Mo like Al B. Sure, for your plea-sure Aiyyo bust it We about to flip it on some ol' laid back, mellow my man tip We gon' set it like this Yo check it Bust it, La Di Da Di, who likes to party like Slick Rick the Ruler I'm cooler than a ice brick Got soul like those afro picks, with the black fist And leave a crowd drippin like John the Baptist, it's the cause of that "Oh shit!" The skits I kick, flows like catfish and got many emcees on the blacklist I'm sharp as a cactus plus, quick to bust gymnastic tactics Us, Roots is really true to that rap shit Now holla to the scholarly, street skats that follow me Back to the Soul Shack with packs of rap colonies Max that, Foreign Objects is mad abstract, make Shadrach offender wanna go like Meshach, Black Thought the nappy cat a bookworm shoe styles like sperm Cool as Malcolm Little with conch a la perm burn The herb sticks like wicks, and flips when I slaps the hand

of my mellow my man, Malik B

[Malik B]

Here I goes, negroes best to know the flower The pro-fessional, best in those skills that kills so uhh... WHOA, slow down before you go down (sissy) Trixie this is Agatha Christie your slain and know now Next contender, Malik's the axe offender Critique me so uniquely with mystique that's so deep within the microphones I grip, psych with poems so's I slits throats Put him in a quote, when he croaks They say in -- isn't it, is it the negro that did it? Cause wreck with the tech, make you jump and say 'ribbit' I exhibit many forms, prohibit the corny forms (And we're in, your neighborhood) on the norms Capture, was to, whack ya Manu-facture, you can even ask Anita about the, rap-ture I figured, perhaps ya, a say it SLAM for my mellow my man

[Chorus: Black Thought]

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[Black Thought]

Yo, I got spunk, plus funk and Jump Like Punks, to Get Beat Down turn that heat down, I'm crazy cool Deeper than the pool than Wilt the Stilt damn near drowned in clowns bounce to sound when Thoughts pound and brown's, my complexion section Southern my brother-in is Jex, I sweats no sex, cause this kid gets grits n shit, it's flex to drains that was crazed when your heart spit up, dip dup damn Yo I lost it but ---- back is the Black Boogev Man Manic mad musician, maker of noise that's jocked, by your homeboys I rocks my flocks of sheep, it's the slickest shepherd around I was lost but was found, now I gets down from Philly to the Apple I, stop and holla tunes and then hit Up-town, Diggin Planets when they get Earthbound I kick the groovy tunes for you and yours, when I pass the can to my mellow my man, Malik B

[Malik B]

WHOAHHHHH, shucks, my nuc snuff ducks (uh-huh) Abruptly I erupt, to destruct, deducts In wax I like to smack em, stroke em as I cap em Change my name to Saran or Reynolds then I Wrap em Negroes know we be furrow to my borough cause my ass is so thorough, like Levert Gerald Too strong to be sterile So I impregnates the greats (say what?) Bust the Pacino's, I won't trust them even though I lust them shapes -- females for retail prices Twice this nice, this witch sure does her spices I won't smirk, cause my name's not Urkel The voice with the multiple choice, she does a circle You wanna turn and page your eyes, and try to plagerize but I degrade ya, slaughtered ya and slayed ya Microphones I grip equipped to flip the hyp-ocrites and nit-wits, with tidbit skits, them ain't \*shhh\* That was a curse, but I divide it in half Gets the airplay, no fair play, you're feelin the wrath of Malik, aivyo get tragic, negroes that get dramatic Because I have the habit to smoke rabbits like a addict So if you can not rap I will just slap YOU If you wants to pick up on your nose be shows the chrome and then we cap, YOU It's too bad, dem cyan't understand de true check for my mellow my man

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