

# The Temptations, Masterpiece

Where I was born ev`rything was dull and dingy  
I lived in a place they called the inner city  
Getting ahead huh was strictly a nono  
Cause nobody cares what happens to the folks  
That live in the ghetto  
Thousands of lives wasting away  
People living from day to day  
It`s a challenge just staying alive  
`Cause in the ghetto only the strong survive

Money I ain`t got none, job can`t find one  
The streets raised me from a baby, ooh  
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Broken down homes, kids strung out  
They don`t even know what life`s all about  
Stealin` cars, robbin` bars  
Mugging drugs, rat infested  
And no one`s interested

Kids dodging cars for recreation  
Only adds to a mother`s frustration  
Breakings, folks comin` home  
And finding all their possessions gone  
Oh it`s an ev`ry day thing - well well - in the ghetto  
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