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## **Beastie Boys** "Flowin' Prose"

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I'm flowing prose to cons and cons to pros I'm scheming rhyme against reason like it was flow against know But beyond the concepts and emotions that rise To the interconnectedness that underlies The lies upon lies have lost their meaning The plies upon plies of consciousness that is being Over and over I fall I learned to walk from a crawl It's not sad it's just the way and the purpose of it all

Now every word that you heard that I said that you felt Was put in place in the space as they were shuffled and dealt

I steal feels from reels but I pay my respects Paying compliments and disses and deciphering affects

Words are water as I court her, as she is pristine Words and mics fall to dust and all that's left is the feelings

I give in and I win I try to never complain Intentions venture to centre and then they set the stage But I'll remain sane making gain without pain Staining trains with names and driving lanes to the refrain

And keep it positive as painstaking as it is I'll never turn back 'cause that's the way I've got to live I'll never turn back 'cause that's the way I've got to live I'll never turn back 'cause that's the way I've got to live

So like a cloud carries rain I'm gonna carry my rhyme Coming like thunder with lightening timing No hesitation in gestation of thoughts and plans Ferment time like wine no ploys or scams Like the islands dot the oceans in the endless seas Ideas floating to me in answer to my pleas Woke up this morning right out of a dream Reached for my pen and pad because my mind was on a rhyme scheme What can I do with these bones and flesh? With these animated thoughts in a world repressed? I'm going down like the rhythms on the winds of change

I'm keeping calm under pressure like a deep-sea range I'm flowing prose to cons and cons to pros I'm like Toucan Sam when I follow my nose I'm giving shouts to Gandhi, Gravy and King His holiness and all enlightened beings I'll be the one who screams it on the microphone I'll be the one who brings it inside your home But the words ain't mine I just pass 'em along For Betty Williams and her friends I sing this song And more ink from my pen and more tears from my eyes And more crimes are committed as I say these lines "Youth enough, we put down the gun"

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