

## Kelis

### "Sesame Street"

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Sometimes words are enough to kill over  
Thanksgiving didn't give  
So what should I hope for  
I keep on looking fo job  
But job seems not to like me  
What else my doors kick off the hedges  
Somebody just fill they Christmas list  
Off me and tha family  
And damn I just miss them  
Felt like I've been raped  
A figures been through my drawers  
Always read tha times in between tha black  
Spent my summers in that country  
So I consider myself a Jack  
Some left this world by putting bullets in they head  
But little Johnnie across the street  
hung hissself from his bunk-bed  
Had to go to court in tha mornin'  
Nothing hard about it  
My little partner was just scared  
How scared Gipp that scared

When I was B-gee  
Used to think I couldn't be hit  
None of my homies carried guns  
All I had was a stick  
Coming out hard was the way from day one  
One of the smallest muthafuckers in the crew  
But you knew and feel the type of niggas that kill  
Be the ones that's out to prove something  
To them other niggers cause  
They already know the outcome  
What's going down at the party  
So many fine hoes nobody knows why  
We buck, I guess we up in a rut  
Looking for but at the same time  
Up in the Flame supporting girls up in the game  
Out to get a piece of what the system  
Has designed black folks to struggle for  
So I bust, so much to deal with  
Can't feel what's real from fake

For my sake I stay close to home  
So them crackers don't take and  
Never give back to my hood  
In desperate need of change  
Be this way to  
We arrange it to be fit me  
Growing up on Sesame Street

Can you feel, what I feel?  
Can you hear, what I hear?  
Can you see what I see?  
When ma feet hit the streets  
What chu know?  
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Georgia Power wants to put me in the dark  
But one spark  
I see Sammy streak to ma spot  
In this red Fred Sanford truck undercover  
But he geela folks fo da class "A" substances narcotics  
Ole shought stopping ask?  
Can be "shock-ca-locka"?  
Um to mad to be scared  
So for the price if you go it  
Like that to be the boss you gladly pay it  
An arm and a leg I'd be lying if I say I ain't  
Need no help, can't do it by myself  
It's raining sesame  
Cause it's only so much time left in this crazy world  
Mates in prison guards life with a hamma  
So excuse ma grammar  
Behind the walls of Atlanta, Federal Penn  
The tait on "Fred Stock" the cell blox wit no C.O.'s  
Equipped with radios

The system is fraud and the security camera  
Now have we an eyeball on it yet  
The second stage denied  
I wonder if I get another trial

Remember me from way back in the days  
Lived right around the corner from Benjamin Mays  
I'm amazed that we made it this far  
A po black family is all that we are  
Wishing upon a star  
For a trace of happiness  
My mama do her best but she ain't making no  
progresss  
Maybe it's a test that we all gotta pass  
My situations making me grow too fast

13 and a half years old standing at the bus stop  
Alone in the cold on my way to be degraded  
For a fee to help get my family off this street called  
Sesame

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