

Krs-One & Greenie "Play Before Work"

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CHORUS (352 Boyz)

All work, no play... smothered by the trials of life...
Absurd, I say, somethin' bout this ain't right...
Who can ever say if today's your last day...
Do you play before you work or do you work before you play?

Verse 1

Baiden... Daddy's day ain't going well... I'm sorry I missed show-n-tell...
But you're going to have to leave now hon, cuz I don't feel slow to yell
You know I wanna play which u—I know dis ain't okay which u
I can call Gramma girl—maybe she can stay which you...
U gotta understand—I don't have time for this today...
Canchu please just go out with your sister and play...
... you gotta stop whining too... It'slike I'm always reminding you...
When my album is finished then I'll spend time with you...
When I get paid, I'll read nursery rhymes with you...
Play hide-n-seek and pretend it's hard finding you...
Right now I'm too busy, to spin 'yo legs till u dizzy...
I got you that dog—why donchu find him—Where is he?
I can't play with you now ---Daddy's got a deadline...
I'm a see u later when I tuck you in at bedtime...

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Verse 2

How'd these fruit loops get on the kitchen floor?
Who drew with marker all over your bedroom door?
Stop pullin yer sister's hair—I'll... be... right... there...
Call one o your friends maybe u can spend the night

there...

Canchu behave.? Here's mac and cheese from the microwave --

Run outside... play princess an' get saved...

I ain't climbin branches... or readin fairy tale romances...

You practice karate stances, I'll work on finances...

I know when your dance is... but I live in the real world...

When u grown up... u gone know how this feel girl...

Whachu cryin for Â—this is for youÂ—an the family...

Is my job canchu see? ain't you understandin me?

Go watch Dora on cable, maybe some day you'll be able...

To understand my only job's putting food on the table...

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Verse 3

The picture you sent's beautiful, I think I feel tears flow...

How u turn 35Â—girl --where'd all 'dem years go?

Why donchu bring yo kid to come play in the yard

I could do tricks with cards... makin time ain't that hard...

Why you yell at my grandkid ---he can't understand it...

Why u think he's demanding?... donchu take him for granted...

(But) I've been leaving you messages pretty much nightly...

U should call back more often? Visit or write me...

It seems like when we talk all u ever do is fight me...

Oh my god... You're turning out... just... like... me

U gotta drop this workaholic... tough girl demeanor...

Where'd the real u go? The girl who danced like a ballerina... ?

The real world I taught u is really just an illusion

Of grown up confusion, prescription drug abusingÂ—

So little's amusing... it ain't worth the pension...

All I got now's cash, fake friends, and my lower back tension...

Baiden-- not to mentionÂ—my life's filled with regret...

That your childhood was in front of a TV set

That I never watched when u'd show off, that I made u get blown off...

Plz stop lookin for answers in Paxil and Zoloft

I don't mean to go offÂ—but who u R now's made up...

Yo kid ain't gonna care how much money u saved up
! Baiden... I was wrong... I think I knew that all along...
Play your children and they friends' parents this song...
Baiden? Baiden? Baiden—oh thank god you're right
there...
... Daddy... just woke up from the worst nightmare...
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