## Lupe Fiasco "Hip-Hop Saved My Life"

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(Feat. Nikki Jean)

[Lupe speaking]
Dedicate dedicate
Uh this one right here goes out
To my homie with the dream
Naw-mean

He said I right what I see
Write to make it right
Don't like where I be
I like to make it like
The sights on TV
Quite the great life
So nice and easy

See now you can still die from that

But it's better than not being alive from straps

Agreed

A mead notebook and a bic that click When it's pushed and a wack beat

That's a track that's weak

That he got last week

Cuz everybody in the store?

Was like that's that heat

A bass heavy medley with a sample from the 70s

With a screwed up hook that went

STACK THAT CHEESE

Somethin' somethin' somethin'

STACK THAT CHEESE

Mother sister cousin

STACK THAT CHEESE

He couldn't think of nothin'

STACK THAT CHEESE

He turns down the beat writers block impedes

Crying from the next room a baby in need

Of some pampers and some food and a place to sleep

That, plus a black cadillac on D's

Is what keep him on track to be a great MC

[Chorus: Nikki Jean]
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I push it hard to further the

Grind life feel like murder but Hip Hop you saved me

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Reps Northside so he rocks them braids Eleven hundred friends on his MySpace page Stack that cheese got seven hundred plays Producer made him take it down Said he had to pay Open mic champ 2 weeks in a row Ex dboy with a bboy flow Glow like leroy you should see boy go Got a daddy servin life and a brother on The Row Best homie in the grave Tatted up while in the cage Minutemaid got his momma work like a slave Down baby momma who he really had to honor Cuz she was his biggest fan Even let him use her Honda to Drive up to dallas went to open up for amateurs Let him keep her debit card So he could put gas in it Told her when he get on He gon take her to the galleria and Buy up everything but the mannequins ya dig

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His man called said "your time might be now"
They played your freestyle over "Wipe me down"
They played it two times
Said it might be crowned
As the best thing out the H-TOWN in a while
He picked up his son with a great big smile
Rapped every single word to the newborn child
Then he put em down and went back to the kitchen
Put on another beat and got back to the mission
Of get his momma out the hood

Put her somewhere in the woods
Keep his lady lookin good
Have her rolling like she should
Show his homies it's a way
Other than that flippin Yay
Bail his homie outta jail
Put a lawyer on his case
Throw a council for the school
Show them that it's really cool
Throw some candy on the cadi
Chuck the deuce and act a fool
Man it feels good when it happens like that
Two days from goin back from sellin' crack... yessir

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Hip Hop you saved my life [2X]

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