

## **Aesop Rock**

### **"11:35"**

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Some cats grow by the laws of the wild  
Some learn slower and lag in the mud  
Some stand up in defense of a style  
Some let the big dogs eat them up  
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down

[Aesop Rock]

Now Benny was a New York City graf kingpin  
Five Borough fame guaranteed to itch pigskin  
Raided near the Brooklyn Naval yard, juxed an  
undercover  
When they asked him what he pled he said, "You're  
fuckin' up my colors!"

[Mr. Lif]

Okay, Jose's working in the slaughterhouse  
Said he's living in the hood, but he wants to get his  
daughter out  
Slipped off a ledge, and fell into a machine  
Another dead immigrant, that's the American Dream

[Aesop Rock]

Miss Molly, helpless, made a penny with a data entry  
temp gig  
Overqualified with the rent stick  
Red brick bash where the text print green  
Like, "I entered my data right into your screen"

[Mr. Lif]

Jane went insane, she's an anchorwoman  
Sick of pushing skewed information  
And abusing the nation  
Had a few options:  
Either jump or run  
Quit or cold raise hell, waving a gun  
Time for C-H-A-N-G-E  
Held a knife to the VP on TV  
She demanded that the format be expanded  
Beyond fair, everybody clear, understand it?

[Aesop Rock]  
Billy was a coke fiend  
[Mr. Lif]  
Maggie was a cop  
[Aesop Rock]  
For the dope he stole cream  
[Mr. Lif]  
She patrolled the block  
[Aesop Rock]  
Banking off his old scheme  
[Mr. Lif]  
She recognized his plot  
[Aesop Rock]  
He thought he was home free  
[Mr. Lif]  
She knew that he was locked  
[Aesop Rock]  
Now it's off to the jail in a blue squad car  
[Mr. Lif]  
She pocketed the crack before they got far  
[Aesop Rock]  
Billy watches Maggy from behind steel bars  
Like "Where the crack went?"  
[Mr. Lif]  
"I'ma smoke it tomorrah"

[Aesop Rock]  
They call him Larry Luck  
Blackjack, big spender  
He was married once  
Till he bet her ring finger  
Seen him leaving Las Vegas  
With a pick up truck, diamond  
Fourty large, and beautiful wife piece  
Less than what he came with  
hitched to the crib found nickels in the couch  
Hitched back to the casino within an hour  
Said "I'm here to make a dollar out of fifteen cents"  
And was immediately shot to his death over debts

[Mr. Lif]  
As Colin died, his mother cried  
Then the EMS arrived  
Said that he could be revived but they lied  
Afterlife realized. Water from the skies  
Washes pain from her eyes so her hopes could rise

[Aesop Rock]  
Now, J.J. punch drunk, acts like a dumb fuck  
Bum touched girls looking young enough to thumb  
suck

One sought the light thought it right to rat him out  
Now gets raped by Aryans in the big house (OUCH!)

[Mr. Lif]

Ted did 20 years for rolling some weed  
Although he used to snort coke and dabble with speed  
Welcome home, homie, here's a blunt with hash  
They said you know the rules, bitch, take two and pass

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Jack for Jill  
Jill won't Jack will  
Jill didn't, then did it  
Jack Fell  
No cellophane secrets  
But yeah I guess you sensed bumps in the tar  
No cell.  
But hell, jumped the bar so well  
pardoned your partners bail and dipped.  
I'm New York harbor tail  
of a snail  
ripped  
Sort of stuck on purpose for the love of birth place  
But would have carried you home inside of my teeth  
anyday  
Turns out  
I wasn't Master Plan anyway.  
He holds no grudge  
holds his tongue.  
While.  
Same one she used to hold in both smiles.  
Dagger that instinctual lash out if it killed me  
so you could ride off into the sun,  
Silly,  
guilt free.  
One year passed.  
The tables wobbling  
and you're hollering  
back  
sipping the fits  
you skipped  
when shit  
cracked

I never missed it.  
Now the long-hall  
Bullshit kit's  
kicked into the same shoe box  
with the flips and lipstick.  
I'll love you forever  
'cause you'll know me better.  
For the record  
at one time would've married you in a second.  
But killed the rekindling dreams  
but navigate the friendship or else  
by the time the stress  
air out wheel both be dead  
and friendless.

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