

# Roots

## "I Will Not Apologize"

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**(feat. Dice Raw, P.O.R.N., Talib Kweli)**

*[Chorus: (Dice Raw) Talib Kweli]*

(I will not apologize) I will not apologize  
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This is for all of my peoples who understand and truly  
recognize  
Some won't get it for that I won't  
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*[P.O.R.N.]*

I'm so sick cause I'm infected but but I don't need a  
medic  
Need a liquid anesthetic, let me show you how I get it  
I don't got it but I bet it, I don't worry, I don't sweat it  
You can bitch, you can dead it, you can take it there like  
FedEx  
Nothing sweet diabetic, big dog can't pet it  
Pack an L then I wet it then I fill it till it's pregnant  
(Take the high back) face it everybody got a favorite  
I embrace it like I date it but my grandma think I chase  
it  
(Like oh yeah) I told her that her baby moving slower  
Cuz the world is on his shoulders then I woke up out  
that coma  
(And got right back) at it with a little black 'matic  
Lay you down craft-matic, then I'm gone, black magic  
(To the hideout) you don't want to gamble with the devil  
Especially when them chewy blueys got me on another  
level  
Cuz my teacher think I'm slow but my mamma think I'm  
special  
But even she know I'm coming back like an echo.

*[Chorus: (Dice Raw) Talib Kweli]*

*[Dice Raw]*

For the statements I'm about to make I will not

apologize

Niggas talk a lot of shit, really need to stop the lies  
Jewels rented, cars rented, homie that ain't authentic  
Acting tough on TV but to me you seem a little timid

Don't blame the nigga, blame America, it's all business  
Acting like a monkey is the only way to sell tickets  
Shit I can dig it, niggas gossip silly digits  
White kids buy it, it's a riot when we talking about  
pimping  
Or sipping on old English brew or whatever they think  
we do  
Spraying double Uzis cuz you know they think we live in  
zoos  
The problem is with this everyone seems to be real  
confused  
The niggas on the streets to the old people that watch  
the news  
And watch BET and the crazy shit they see  
They associate with you do the same shit to me  
When you look at me you see just a nigga from the  
projects  
But can't understand this nigga's mind set but still

*[Chorus: (Dice Raw) Talib Kweli]*

*[Black Thought]*

Yo, a revolution's what it's smelling like, it ain't going  
be televised  
Governments is hellified, taking cake and selling pies  
I ain't got a crust or crumb, to get some I'd be well  
obliged  
Murder is comodified, felon for the second time  
Never was I into chasing trouble I was followed by  
Facing trouble with no alibi, had to swallow pride  
Vilified, victimized, penalized, criticized  
Ran into some people that's surprised I was still alive  
Look into my daughter's eyes, wonder how can I  
provide  
Got to get from A to B but how can I afford to drive?  
Messed around, tried to get a job and wasn't qualified  
Had to see a pal of mine, got to get the lightning rod  
Now I'm in the black Impala looking for the dollar sign  
Palms get the itching man I got to get the calamine  
Before I fall behind, guess the grind will be my 9 to 5  
I will not be conquered by, I will not apologize

*[Chorus: (Dice Raw) Talib Kweli]*

