

## **Dead Kennedys**

# **"This Could Be Anywhere"**

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Cold concrete apartments  
Rise up from wet black asphalt  
Below them lie few carcasses  
Of the long gone age of privacy

It takes a scary kind of illness  
To design a place like this for pay  
The Downtown, an endless generic mall  
Of video games and fast food chains

One by one, the little houses  
Are bricked up and condemned  
A subtle hint to move  
Before the rats move in

This could be anywhere, yeah yeah  
Could be anywhere, yeah yeah, everywhere

Those new kids at school seem cool  
But dad says not to talk to them  
Stick to your old friends, they're not our kind  
But now there's lots of fights

So many people I know  
Come of age tense and bitter-eyed  
Can't create so they just destroy  
C'mon, let's set someone's dog on fire

Empty plastic culture slum suburbia  
Is a war zone now  
Sprouting the kinds of gangs  
We thought we'd left behind

This could be anywhere, yeah yeah  
Could be anywhere, yeah yeah, everywhere  
Could be anywhere, could be everywhere  
Could be anywhere

Kids at school are takin' sides  
Along color and uniform lines  
My dad's gone and bought a gun  
He says he's fed up with crime in this town

This could be anywhere  
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(Anywhere)  
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(Anywhere)  
This could be everywhere

I hope I'm gone before it explodes

I linger late at night  
Waiting for the bus  
No amount of neon jazz  
Could hide the oozing vibes of death

My dad's a vigilante now  
He's bringing home, these weird ass friends  
Like the guy who fires blanks at his TV  
When Kojak's on

Or the guy who shows off his submachine gun  
To his sixteen year old daughter's friends  
Whose sense of pride and hope  
Is being in the police reserve

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Could be everywhere, yeah yeah, everywhere, yeah  
yeah

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