

## **The Academy Is... "Black Mamba"**

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We've got one chance to break out  
And we need it now  
'Cause I'm sick and tired of waiting  
Sick of this fucking apartment

Love me or leave me or rip me apart  
This is the voice that I was given and if you don't like it  
Take a long walk off of the shortest pier  
You can find and I'll be singing it out, I'll be singing

Oh, Mr. Magazine  
I never wrote one single thing for you  
Or your so-called music scene  
You don't mean a thing to me

Pick it up, pick it up, what you wanted  
Well, pick it up, pick it up, you need it too  
Pick it up, pick it up, what you wanted  
Pick it up, pick it up

When they review the debut  
What if the critics hate you  
Don't worry 'cause they might just  
Catch somebody off their feet

Well, they can love it or leave it or rip it apart  
We're living what we're singing  
So I guess that's a step in the right direction  
Clever composition and the honesty, honesty

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Or your so-called music scene  
You both mean shit to me

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Well, pick it up, pick it up, you need it too  
Pick it up, pick it up, what you wanted  
Pick it up, pick it up

So save your breath and the money you spent  
Go work in retail, spare the suspense

Just don't take chances on anything at all  
Anything at all

So afraid of anything that may not come that easy  
Too afraid of anything, you may not have seen before  
So afraid of anything that may not come that easy  
Too afraid of anything that may not

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