Last Emperor "Echoleader"

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Verse 1:

It's like one for the microphone two for the camera
Three for deadbeats vagabonds panhandlers
Street scramblers alleyway managers
Substance abusers born losers mic damagers
Everybody screamin' representin' keep it real
But I'm still a worthless bum tryin' to get a record deal
Peep my lingo and every wise word the man speaks
I've been living on the streets and haven't showered for
weeks

But time moves forward, there's no looking back
I'm homeless in pursuit of a record contract
I wish my whole crew was paid in full like Rakim's
But instead we're malnourished with skeleton-like limbs
Instead of a land cruiser with BBS rims
I got a busted pair of boots, and they're not even Tims
See most mc's claim their pockets stay knotted
Puttin' money in the bank, but point blank, I ain't got it
I used to pump chums, for money in lump sums
But now I snatch crumbs with a thousand young bums
I'm the everfresh, what I still possess remains
measureless

My brain contains jewels and gems like a treasure chest

Raw deal, no lie, that's the real And I can't remember the last time I had a hot meal Society labels me a bum, and that's right My crew keeps it tight, bums of the world let's unite

Chorus:

This one's for all the neighborhood bums
To all my brothers in the gutters, in the slums
In every city, no matter where you're from
To all my boys, make noise if your bum
(Repeat)

Verse 2:

Allow me to explain the mission, the pain infliction I entertain so listen, my style rocks like Jane's Addiction Mc's don't impress me, they know not to test me We'll be at each other's throats like Mr. Belvedere and

Wesley

Especially, when wack rappers open up their mouse traps

They know not to tangle with these bums from the outback

You see you can't miss what you've never had
The life of a bum really isn't half bad
We're never alone, cause bums travel in packs
We combine fine lyrics with underground tracks
We rock the best shows, placin' mc's on stress mode
You can tell a fellow bum from his raggedy dress code
We rock raggedy kicks, and wear raggedy pants
We rock raggedy mics, and sing raggedy jams
like,

(Group of bums)

The bums have the right to lay the down the law The bum train is leavin' from track number four

The bummy engineer is the Last Emperor
Hard rock like The Thing from the Fantastic Four
While most mc's rhyme about guns and shootin'
I drop science on their domes just like Sir Isaac Newton
Big up to Q in Brownsville, that never runs
Lift up your fist and shout, long live the bums

Chorus

Verse 3:

Crack your brew, light your spliff, it doesn't make a dif Creamy light peanut butter, choosy mothers choose Jif Overlord of the poor, man not a myth It's the Last Emperor that you don't want to flex with I'll place mental lacerations and allesions On mc's and domestic and foreign legions I might be flambeau, but read a book of allesions The emperor switches up styles every season In the spring, I do my thing, relaxin' and that's it In the summer, just like a pirate, I attack ships But winter maybe, my favorite, one of all, but Jamal Is a Legend of the Fall, just like Brad Pitt I'm known to lyrically black shots on behalf of have nots Lock it down with the sound, equipped with chains and padlocks

No gadgets, no gimmicks, no tricks up my sleeve And I won't play the Superman role like Christopher Reeve

See you can learn a lot from a dummy Keep it real, better yet in '98, let's keep it bummy Bein' broke is no prob, you don't have to rob But if you're frustrated cause you can't find a job Have no fear the emperor is here to help ya Respect to all my bums, I'll catch you back at the shelter

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