

J. Cole

"Rags To Riches"

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Damn, broke is a bad joke
But still I laugh though frontin' tryna have hope, it's
sad though
I'm tired of being broke as sh*t
I'm seeing other n*ggas ball and I'm like 0 for 6
Ay man I just graduated, good old college degree
Sh*t, my n*ggas drug dealing seen more dollars than
me
I know my calling
Its in my blood to do this music thing
Wont be that illest n*gga that you never knew his name
I'm looking at these fake A&R's like "you a lame-
That boy a genius and you ain't even listen, man you
insane"
But you'll see though, just what the hell a n*gga bout'
to be though
So give me one year then play this back like TiVO
Cuz boy I'm fein'n blow I'm a mothaf*cking torpedo
The music's in my blood so watch these n*ggas turn
mosquitoes
Uh, I play the villain and the hero, some grow man sh*t
Feel like a god'dam kid, man I'm Pac and BIG
"Up" is something that I cant give
Wont see me disappear like the old Ant Viv
Cuz even on a slow jam I'm so damn sick
Man I even spread a virus to a program-quick
I gotta focus on my flow and get some doe man, sh*t
No dollars got me acting like I got no damn sense
But peace to my broham's and my ex lady
Yea we've been complicating things with the sex lately
Maybe I'm being selfish-but naw I cant help it
Cuz girl we go back like a throwback Celtics-jersey
Regardless of where God lead us,
just know that I was Martin and you was my Gina
Uh, but I'm through living in the past Lord
No more thinking rewind and more fast forward
Less rearview mirror and more dashboard
I'm visualizing cash and stamps on a passport
That CLS with a full tank of gas for it
Cop my momma a whip n*gga he didn't even ask for it
Wise enough to know that money can't buy you

happiness or love us
But it's gon' get my momma out the struggle
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