

Kendrick Lamar

"County Building Blues"

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[Intro]

Greeting boys and girls
My name is Petey P
Kendrick's childhood imaginary friend (that's right)
I am your neighbor
And I'd like to welcome you to good kid, m.A.A.d city
So grab your cartoons and cereal
Your pop guns and fireworks
And sing along

[Hook]

When we grow up we gon' go and get us a million
Spend it all in front of the county building
Blow it like Coltrane, blow it like Coltrane
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[Verse 1]

(Kendrick, you remember that one time when we was...)
I've been waiting on this day since Dr. Dre and Pac
Was on Rosecrans in that burgerstand at '95
People staring at 'em in amazement
Reservations at the Days Inn
We was living out a hotel at the time
Breakfast, lunch and dinner chicken from Kentucky
Fried
Mama babysitting Section 8 vouchers the move
When nothing else to lose but a burger flipping job
Close my eyes inside the swap meet and imagine it's a
mansion
Gold ballroom, AK-47 dancing
Howling at the moon, what's a pack of hungry babies?
Hope you feed us soon, bite your back, you die of
rabies
Everyday we pray to eat at the table at Sizzlers
But never make the visit, if better days was on its way
Then they make the decision, to make the wrong turn
So for now we heat this skillet so this canned food can
burn
(Oh I remember that, it was the ravioli with the hot

sauce in it, right?)

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[Bridge]

And all the ghetto children in the world say, "that's my car"
All the ghetto boys say, "that's my car"
All the ghetto girls say, "that's my car"
When we grow up, when we grow up
Ghetto children in the world say, "that's my car"
All the ghetto boys say, "that's my car"
All the ghetto girls say, "that's my car"
When we grow up, when we grow up

[Verse 2]

(N*gga you remember the smoke and the burning buildings and sh*t?)
Couple stolen T.V.'s and a seat belt for my safety
Played the passenger I think it's five years after eighty Seven, do the math, '92 don't you be lazy
Looking out the window, notice all the essentials
Of a block party that stop for a second, then it rekindle
Like a flame from a trick candle, everybody got dental Insurance 'cause we 'bout to floss, you get that couch I sent you?
I heard that from a block away, probably had credentials
Of a scholar but sh*t not today, them Dayton Spokes was his to take
Refrigerators, barbecue pits, and Jordan kicks
They did invasions while helicopters recorded it
Hello Mi-Mister Miyagi, I want them ten woo-woofers
Say that you got me if not, I'll dig in your drawer for it
The swap meet was the bulls-eye like Tauruses
Murder was the melody you should know what the chorus is
"Papa you really telling me we can just get some more of it
If we run out?" He said, "lil n*gga today the poor is rich
Don't tell your mom that you seen a Molotov bomb
If she ask just know you have to lie and son don't forget
B*tches ain't sh*t, hoes ain't neither
N*ggas gon' snitch, watch the company you keeping
And one day you'll put money in the ghetto when you

got it
Rather than having to hustle off these Rodney King
riots"
(That's right the mothaf*ckin' Rodney King...
You was with your daddy on Bullis Road)

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