

## Macklemore

### "I Said Hey"

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Yo, the first time I heard Digital Underground I was in  
the first grade  
My homie Lace brought it over and he dubbed it on a  
mixtape  
I would do the Humpty Hump and perform to his verses  
Twelve years later I learned that Shock-G and him were  
the same person  
I loved Hammer, I can't front he taught me how to  
dance  
Along with Bel Biv Devoe I had Jay Ohs and a pair of  
zebra pants  
But this was the foundation of what would come to be  
A life long passion journey and drive; an emcee  
Some people ask me what it means, I don't know where  
to start  
It's the deepest connection between my soul and my  
heart  
When I first stepped into a cipher and a jam in the park  
I got served, no for real I got served  
But see I learned something  
Observed others and watched  
An urged hunger burst, earned a turn at that park.  
I don't care who you are, where you're from or what you  
believe in  
But if you love hip hop I bet it's more or less for the  
same reason  
This is it when you spit you exist in that moment  
And if you're sick with that gift then you rip it when you  
perform it  
Then all the shit that you live begins to lift up your  
shoulders  
And the audience well they get to experience where  
your soul is  
The most amazing feeling, rocking the crowd to your  
anthem  
From the front to the back with their motha fuckin'  
hands up  
'Cause I'm an emcee, won't be the first won't be the last  
Just another b-boy and I'm a die in my stance  
  
If you got a pen and a pad put your heart down

If you got a record and can crab lay a scratch down  
If you got a marker and a can bomb your art now  
If you got a floor and you're fast kick that I'll style

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If you got a record and can crab lay a scratch down  
If you got a marker and a can bomb the whole damn  
town  
But if you live for hip hop don't ever put your hands  
down  
Don't put your hands down, keep that shit up

We're goin' to rock it like this, do this with me  
It goes front, back  
Front, back  
Front, back  
Front, come on

It goes front, back  
Front, back  
I said front, back  
To my people you know it

Now I don't know if it's the clothes, the hoes, or the cars  
That makes people rap like they're trapped inside of  
these bars  
This shit ain't complicated man just be who you are  
To busy searching for the light and missing the fact  
that you're a star  
Now who's got passion now stand the hell up  
'Cause I want to hear somebody rapping who's got it  
inside their cuts  
Or you can get intricate displaying your fancy  
cadences  
But if you're not speaking the truth you might as well  
not be saying shit  
I said who's going to teach the kids?  
You'd rather blow up and get famous so you can get  
some new rims  
All the money in the world can help you look like a star  
But money can't buy you the heart to go and put inside  
your bars  
And I like nice shit too  
Believe me, I got a closet full of Nikes and a whole  
bunch of Lenore suits  
They'll give you the white tees and the icy earring like  
the whole youth,  
Population of hip hop but look beyond it when I record  
through,  
These beats 'cause if I don't speak me  
What's the difference between my lyrics and what you

hearin' on MTV  
People fear that if they're steering away from the  
mainstream  
Then their album won't sell  
Well I could give a fuck  
I'm just goin' to freestyle and spit what's in my gut  
And if you want to you can go and label me conscious  
But remember there's a kid at a bus stop beat boxin'  
Who's life will be effected by what's inside of his  
Walkman

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