

Adina Howard F/ Cam'Ron, Charli Baltimore**"Do You Wanna Be An MC?"**

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[CHORUS] x 4

Do you wanna be an MC

Ask yourself, ask yourself, ask yourself

[Verse 1]

Ask yourself this question

Do you want to be

One among the few and chosen

The title of MC

Is harder to achieve than many wanna believe

Been deceived in perceiving this MC-ing with ease

Please, paying dues without collecting fees

Until your time to shine

You probably rhymin for free

In places otherwise you wouldn't go

Unconcerned faces recognize you as the average Joe

With no release date

You get the least consideration

For crowd participation

The people, they've been waiting

For the hottest sensation

With a rep and credentials

Not someone abusing overused instrumentals

Sounding like you never rocked a mic

A single day in your life

Realizing that you're really not quite as tight

As your boys made you think you are

Wanna be MC superstar

But you're far from the truth

The proof is in the lack of applause

And a pause

Followed by immediate discharge

The public at large

Is calling you a fraud

This is what you gotta take to heart

[CHORUS] x 4

Do you wanna be an MC

Ask yourself, ask yourself, ask yourself

Believe me

The rhyming part is easy
But in this game
It gets greasy
You're looking for the bread
But dough here is measly
MCs be seeing their CDs as frisbees
Need be finding something better with their lives
(Why)
Too many rappers sound alike on the mic
Mic here to shed light
D be my witness
Ain't no money in this
If you ain't handling business
Even if you sign the dotted line
You may find
That the rhyme that you say is mine
cause u never mind the fine print
'Cause the heaven sent gift you got
You gave away
To a label for a short term thrill
Got gypped on your own skill
Just to sign a deal
Sort of ill
Your bonus looking more like a bill
Yet and still
Goes another brother falling off the cliff
Once an MC
Now the driver of a forklift
It ain't where you're from
Or where you're at
It's about who you know
And who did your track
Take a step back
And look at what you made
Now who's the last one to get paid?

[CHORUS] x 4

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