

## **M-Phazes f/ Solo**

### **"For What It's Worth"**

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[Solo] I remember my very first taste of this obsession  
Fresh-faced kid at Next Level copping lessons Wide-  
eyed I'd stay for hours at a time Just grilling Dr. Phibes  
like a Q&A session Pestering him with all types of  
questions What's good this week? Who did the beats  
and who's guesting? I had a part-time job so I'd work all  
week then blow my whole paycheque in a few seconds  
And if it had that Oz Hip Hop sticker on the front you  
could bet I'd pick it up and add it to the collection  
Something bout the way my native tongue sound over  
dirty drums is like I found a connection And looking  
back now I bought a lot of classics But I also spent a lot  
of cash on a lot of wack shit And if I added it up I'd  
probably cringe at the thought But really I got way more  
than I bargained for Cause if I could put an hourly wage  
on all the time that I've spent locked away with a pen  
and a page Or every drop of sweat that I shed when I  
step on a stage then brother I'd be getting paid To  
some it might sound crazy But music took me in,  
taught me and shaped me And the life lessons learnt  
over break beats are worth way more than anyone  
could pay me [Chorus] It's the ticket price at the show  
It's the bandwidth of a download Everybody's so  
concerned with the bottom line This is something you  
can't measure with a dollar sign And it can't be bought  
for no amount Throw 'em up if you know what I'm  
talking about This is something that predates trade  
and predates money Something that's as old as time  
[Solo] I know this kid who's been digging through the  
crates for ages Born and raised Gold Coast of all  
places Ordinary Joe, goes by the name of Mark Better  
known to most as M-Phazes They say it ain't where  
you're from, it's where you're at Well this here is proof  
of that He worked hard just to master the boom and the  
bap till the beats so fat, they make the party people say  
"Good Gracious" So he hooked up with some of the  
finest emcees from across the nation Did a few joints  
for some overseas cats cause you know word spread  
quick like it's contagious Hooked up with an agent Took  
a CD of beats to the One Stop competition, stood up  
and played it Panel of judges some of the greatest and

well, what do you know? The whole room went ape-shit  
Uh, tell me what that's worth Dollars can't buy respect  
cause respect it earned And I gotta give respect where  
respect is due Very few who would test for you Wanna  
talk about dedication? Wanna talk about hours spent, I  
bet he's spent a few So when he hit me up with a track  
for the compilation I said I'm down for whatever dude  
See this world dictates that all get paid cause we all  
gotta eat But this here is not for the feed In my own  
small way I'm just tryna pay back everything that music  
lent to me I spent my life feeling like I didn't fit into the  
puzzle Now people telling me my shit help 'em through  
they struggle Huh, and if you can't respect that then  
you either need a slap or discover what I'm talking  
about [Chorus] [Solo] Solo know what it's worth M-  
Phazes knows what it's worth A-diddy knows what it's  
worth Horrorshow know what it's worth My brother Nick  
Lupi, he know what it's worth Jimmy Nice knows what  
it's worth DJ Joyride, he knows what it's worth Urthboy  
knows what it's worth And my brother Lou Dubs, he  
know what it's worth Gusto know what it's worth Muph &  
Pluto yo, they know what it's worth And The Herd know  
what it's worth Illy Al Murray, he knows what it's worth  
Flago knows what it's worth Obese, they know what it's  
worth E Traks know what it's worth, do you? [Chorus]

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