

Cops Shot the Kid (feat. Kanye West)

Nas

The cops used to come around in my neighborhood
"Alright, you kids, stop having so much fun, move along!"
Oh they'd arrest me, you know, especially at night
They had a curfew, niggas had to be home at 11, negros, 12
And you'd be trying to get home, doing your crew runs
And they'd always catch you out in front of a store or something
'Cause you'd be taking shortcuts, right
Cops, "Ree, put your hands up, black boy!" The cops shot the kid
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I don't wanna hurt nobody
We just came here to party
See a few dames, exchange some names
I'm a top shotta, kid, stay in your lane
The cop shot the kid, same old scene
Pour out a little liquor, champagne for pain
Slap-boxin' in the street
Crack the hydrant in the heat
Cop cars on the creep
Doin' they round-ups, we just watch for the sweep
Yeah, it's hotter than July
It's the summer when niggas die
It's the summer when niggas ride
Together we'll be strong, but forever we divide
So y'all are blowin' my high
Type of shit that's killin' my vibe
White kids are brought in alive
Black kids get hit with like five
Get scared, you panic, you're goin' down
The disadvantages of the brown
How in the hell the parents gon' bury their own kids
Not the other way around?
Reminds me of Emmett Till
Let's remind 'em why Kap kneels
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 I still hear him scream Stay tuned up and down your timeline
 This fake news, people is all lyin'
 Money is bein' made when a mom cries
 Won't be satisfied 'til we all die
 Tell me, who do we call to report crime
 If 9-1-1 doin' the driveby?
 It's certain things I can't abide by
 I ain't bein' extreme, this is my side
 Talkin' big shit, ready to die
 I know every story got two sides
 Claimin' he paranoid by the black guy
 Cop wanna make it home by night time
 Just a good kid, he wasn't that guy
 Had a little hit, he wasn't that high
 Cop gon' claim that it was self-defense
 Say he was ridin' dirty so the case rests The cops shot the kid
 The cops shot the kid, the cops shot- (workin' nine-to-five)
 The cops shot the kid
 The cops shot the kid, the cops shot- (tryna stay alive)
 The cops shot the kid
 The cops shot the kid, the cops shot- (makin' ends meet)
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 The cops shot the kid, the cops shot- (shot him this week)
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 The cops shot the kid
 I still hear him scream

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