

# The Truth

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And the truth hurts

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She said 'do what you're supposed to, and neva let em fold you'  
Mama was a thug, I was raised by a soldier  
The purse on her shoulder got a pistol with no holster  
Said 'let a nigga make a move and I'mma toast em'  
Ghost em, sleep tight ain't neva what it seem like  
Wanna know my life? A lot of death in some street fights  
Walkin' home at night they smokin' meth by the streetlights  
Had to check some nigga cuz they thought I was the weak type  
See heights that they neva thought I could reach  
Word games and flashcards so my daughters can speak  
Cuz she about to turn five and she can't say a word  
Since she's not autistic all these doctors gettin' on my nerves  
Consistent with my urge until I get what I deserve  
Killin' all you nerds I'll treat the rap game like the purge  
Tongue trickin' while I drive, baby please don't make me swerve  
She only interested for benefits will I eva learn?

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I grew up with screw ups but I ain't really do much  
Hit the park and see who wanna battle for a few bucks  
Anybody want it, they can get it, come get chewed up  
Don't make me have to pull your card and bag you like a school lunch  
Who us, what you mean? You witnessin' a couple kings  
Bring my team to chase the dream I'm trying to do my thing  
Goin' hard while you sleep as a man I'm complete  
So at times I take it deep, before I hit the booth I tend to pray for every beat  
Cuz mama always said bless your food before you eat  
And I'mma feast, yeah I'mma feast  
Struggle can make you weak I used to cry myself to sleep  
Really was broke as hell, my baby mama called me creep  
Cuz I neva let 'er see me down I kept it so discrete

Bringin' hope to the hopeless, repairs for the broken  
Aware that I was chosen, I swear I'll stay focused  
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