Love

Mos Def

(Mos Def)

They say the goodness in life belongs to those who believe
So, I believe... YES!(Chorus) 2x
I start to think, and then I sink
Into the paper, like I was ink

When I'm writing I'm trapped in between the line
I escape when I finish the rhyme (aiyyo)My pops said he was in love when he made me
Thought about it for a second, wasn't hard to see

I could hear he was sincere, was a game of promotion

The entire affair's probably charged wit emotion But love call your heart, I guess you got to pursue

12-11-73 my life is testament

Praise the beneficent, element that rest Devoid in the form that make love manifest I spent my early years in Roosevelt Project It was a bright valley wit some dark prospects In '83, Venny C was the host wit the most

I listened to the Rap Attack and held the radio close I listened to the Rap Attack and held the radio close

This is far before the days of high glamour and pose Aiyyo power from the street light made the place dark

I know a few understand what I'm talkin about
It was love for the thing that made me wanna stay out
It was love for the thing that made me stay in the house

Spendin time, writin rhymes

Tryin to find words that describe the vibe

That's inside the space

When you close yo' eyes and screw yo' face Is this the pain of too much tenderness To make me nod my head in reverence

Should I visit this place in rememberence

To build landmarks here as evidence

Nighttime, spirit shook my temperament

To write rhymes that portray this sentiment

We live the now for the promise of the infinite We live the now for the promise of the infinite

And we believe in the promise (love, love *repeated*)

Yes yes y'all and we don't stop because ChorusI got love, L-O-V-E and I be Love, L-O-V-E to MC

Get love, L-O-V-E and I be Love, L-O-V-E I MC Get love, L-O-V-E and I be Love, L-O-V-E to MC Get love, L-O-V-E and I be

The M-O-S-D-E-F-initelyCheck it out y'all, feel me out y'all

Feel me out y'all, hear my out y'all

Check me, out y'all

Feel me out y'all, check it out y'all

Now hear out (bounce) y'all

Check me out y'all, feel me out y'all

Check me out y'all, feel me out y'all

Feel me out y'all (hear me bounce y'all)

Check me out y'all, check it out y'all

My folks said they was in love when they had me

I take they love they made me wit to make rhymes and beats

(Can you feel?) The raw deal, it's all wheel-driven

Contemplate the essence of beats, rhymes and living

Speech in line wit the rhythm, designed wit the rhythm

Ears and eyes keepin good time wit the rhythm

I shine wit the rhythm, the Black Star Gallactica

Big number fleetin, we ancient like the Abbacca's

After us, I see most proceed to be trees

Sproutin leaves, given breeze to the we who believe

I MC, which means I Must Cultivate the earth

Back straight backs, hard beats and hard work

I be the funky drummer to soften the hard earth

(Amin) Pray Allah keep my soul and heart clean

(Amin) Pray the same thing again for all my team

This go out to Fort Greene and on out to Queens

Uptown to Boogie Down, yo just look around

AND SHOOK UP THE WORLD!, like Ali in 6-3 (right)

I'm reachin the height that you said cannot be

I'm bringin the light but you said we can't see

Saw the new day comin, and it look just like me

Some burst through the clouds, my photo ID

I bring light to your day and raise yo' degree

The Universal Magnetic, you must respect it

From end to beginning,? true and livin

EVERY CHANGING, it was a state of magnificent

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