

Aesop Rock, 11:35

Some cats grow by the laws of the wild
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[Aesop Rock]

Now Benny was a New York City graff kingpin
Five Borough fame guaranteed to itch pigskin
Raided near the Brooklyn Naval Yards, juxed an undercover
When they asked him what he pled he said, "You're fuckin' up my cover!"

[Mr. Lif]

Okay, Jose is working in the slaughterhouse
Said he's living in the hood, but he wants to get his daughter out
Slipped off a ledge, and fell into a machine
Another dead immigrant, that's the American Dream

[Aesop Rock]

Miss Molly, helpless, made a penny with a data entry temp gig
Overqualified with the rent stick
Red brick bash with a texted green screen
Like, "I entered my data right into your screen"

[Mr. Lif]

Jane went insane, she's an anchorwoman
Sick of pushing skewed information
And abusing the nation
Had a few options:
Either jump or run
Critical ways or waving a gun
Time for C-H-A-N-G-E
Held a knife to the VP on TV
She demanded that the format be expanded
Beyond fear, everybody clear, understand it?

[Aesop Rock]

Billy was a coke fiend

[Mr. Lif]

Maggie was a cop

[Aesop Rock]

Like a dope he stole green

[Mr. Lif]

She patrolled the block

[Aesop Rock]

Banking off his old scheme

[Mr. Lif]

She recognized his plot

[Aesop Rock]

He thought he was home free

[Mr. Lif]

She knew that he was locked

[Aesop Rock]

Now it's off to the jail in a blue squad car

[Mr. Lif]

She pocketed the crack before they got far

[Aesop Rock]

Billy watches Maggy from behind steel bars

Like "Where the crack went"

[Mr. Lif]

"I'ma smoke it tomorrah"

[Aesop Rock]

They call him Larry Luck
Blackjack, big spender
He was married once
Till he bet her ring finger
Seen him leaving Las Vegas
With a pick up truck, diamond
Forty large, and beautiful wife piece
Less than what he came with
Itched to get rich found nickels in the couch
Hitched back to the casino with in an hour
Said "I'm here to make a dollar out of fifteen cents"
And was immediately shot to his death over debts

[Mr. Lif]
As Colin died, his mother cried
Then the EMS survived
Said that he could be revived but they lied
Afterlife realized that water from the skies
Washes pain from our eyes so our hopes could rise

[Aesop Rock]
Now, J.J. punch drunk, acts like a dumb fuck
Bum touched girls looking young enough to thumb suck
One saw the light, thought it right to rat him out
Now gets raped by Aryans in the big house (OUCH!)

[Mr. Lif]
Ted did 20 years for rolling some weed
Though he used to snort coke and dabble with speed
Welcome home, homie, here's a blunt with hash
You know the rules, bitch, take two and pass

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[Aesop Rock]
I got one Jack or Jill
Jill won't, Jack will
Jill didn't, then did it
Jack fell
No cellophane secrets, b
I guess I sense two felt bumps in the tar
No cell
But hell, you jump the bar so well
Parted your partners veil and dipped
I'm New York harbor
Tale of a sail, ripped sorta
Stuck on purpose for tha love of birthplace
But would have carried you home inside of my teeth anyday
Turns out I wasn't cast in the master plan anyway
He holds no grudge, holds his tongue, wild
Same one she used to hold in both smiles
? instinctual last shout if it killed me
So you can ride up in the sun city guilt-free
One year passed, the table is wobbling and your hollerin' back
Sippin the fits you skipped when shit cracks
They never missed it
Not a long haul, bullshit, kids kicked into the same
Shoebox with the flicks and lipstick
I'll love you forever, cuz you know me better
For the record, that one time I would've married you in a second

But kill the rekindling dreams and navigate the friendship
Or else by the time the stress wears out we'll both be dead and friendless