

Empire State Of Mind - Jay-Z Feat. Alicia Keys Lyrics

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"Empire State Of Mind"

Yeah, I'm out that Brooklyn, now I'm down in Tribeca
Right next to De Niro, but I'll be hood forever
I'm the new Sinatra, and since I made it here
I can make it anywhere, yeah, they love me everywhere
I used to cop in Harlem, hola, my Dominicanos (dímelo)
Right there up on Broadway, brought me back to that McDonald's
Took it to my stashbox, 560 State Street
Catch me in the kitchen like a Simmons whippin' pastry
Cruisin' down 8th St, off-white Lexus
Drivin' so slow, but BK is from Texas
Me, I'm out that Bed-Stuy, home of that boy Biggie
Now I live on Billboard and I brought my boys with me
Say what up to Ty-Ty, still sippin' Mai Tais
Sittin' courtside, Knicks and Nets give me high five
Nigga, I be Spike'd out, I could trip a referee (come on, come on, come on)

Tell by my attitude that I'm most definitely from

In New York (ayy, ah-ha) (uh, yeah)

Concrete jungle (yeah) where dreams are made of

There's nothin' you can't do (yeah) (okay)

Now you're in New York (ah-ha, ah-ha, ah-ha) (uh, yeah)

These streets will make you feel brand new (new)

Big lights will inspire you (come on) (okay)

Let's hear it for New York (you're welcome, OG) (uh)

New York (yeah), New York (uh) (I made you hot, nigga)

Catch me at the X with OG at a Yankee game

Shit, I made the Yankee hat more famous than a Yankee can

You should know I bleed blue, but I ain't a Crip though

But I got a gang of niggas walkin' with my clique though

Welcome to the melting pot, corners where we sellin' rock

Afrika Bambataa shit, home of the hip-hop

Yellow cab, gypsy cab, dollar cab, holla back

For foreigners it ain't fair, they act like they forgot how to act

Eight million stories, out there in the naked

City is a pity, half of y'all won't make it

Me, I got a plug, Special Ed, "I Got It Made"

If Jeezy's payin' LeBron, I'm payin' Dwyane Wade

Three dice Cee-lo, three-card Monte

Labor Day Parade, rest in peace Bob Marley

Statue of Liberty, long live the World Trade (come on, come on, come on)

Long live the king, yo, I'm from the Empire State that's

In New York (ayy) (uh, yeah)

Concrete jungle (yeah) where dreams are made of

There's nothin' you can't do (that boy good) (okay)

Now you're in New York (uh, yeah)

(Welcome to the bright lights, baby)

These streets will make you feel brand new

Big lights will inspire you (okay)

Let's hear it for New York (uh)

New York (yeah), New York (uh)

Lights is blinding, girls need blinders

So they can step out of bounds quick, the sidelines is

Lined with casualties, who sip the life casually

Then gradually become worse, don't bite the apple, Eve

Caught up in the in-crowd, now you're in style

Into the winter gets cold, en vogue, with your skin out

City of sin, it's a pity on a whim

Good girls gone bad, the city's filled with them

Mommy took a bus trip, now she got her bust out
Everybody ride her, just like a bus route
"Hail Mary" to the city, you're a virgin
And Jesus can't save you, life starts when the church end
Came here for school, graduated to the high life
Ball players, rap stars, addicted to the limelight
MDMA got you feelin' like a champion (come on, come on, come on)
The city never sleeps, better slip you an Ambien

In New York (ayy, oh) (uh, yeah)
Concrete jungle where dreams are made of
There's nothin' you can't do (okay)
Now you're in New York (uh, yeah)
These streets will make you feel brand new
Big lights will inspire you (okay)
Let's hear it for New York (uh)
New York (yeah), New York (uh)

One hand in the air for the big city (uh)
Street lights, big dreams, all lookin' pretty (uh)
No place in the world that could compare (nah)
Put your lighters in the air everybody say
"Yeah, yeah" (come on, come on, come on)

"Yeah, yeah" (I'm from New York)

In New York (uh, yeah) (ohh)

Concrete jungle where dreams are made of

There's nothin' you can't do (okay)

Now you're in New York (uh, yeah)

These streets will make you feel brand new

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Let's hear it for New York (uh)

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