

# Paid My Dues

Anastacia

You can say what you want about me  
Wanna do what you want to me  
But you cannot stop me

I've been knocked down  
It's a crazy town  
Even got punched in the face in L.A.  
Ain't nothing in the world that you keep  
me from doing what I wanna do

'Cause I'm too proud, I'm too strong  
Live by the code that you gotta move on  
Feeling sorry for yourself  
Ain't got nobody nowhere

so I...  
(Held my head high)  
I Knew (I Knew I'd survive)  
Well I made it (I made it)  
I don't hate it (Don't hate it)  
That's just the way it goes  
Yeah

I done made it through  
Stand on my own two  
I paid my dues, yeah  
Tried to hold me down  
You can't stop me now  
I paid my dues

so like i told you  
You cannot stop me  
I paid my dues

Now I'm still tested everyday  
people try to mess with Anastacia  
gotta nothing in common  
cause I handle mine  
and I thought I better let you know

I'm no punk, I can't get down  
I don't give a damn about who's around  
that was just fine 'til now

So I...  
(Held my head high)  
Knew I (Knew I survive)  
Well I made it (I made it)  
Oahh (Don't hate it)  
That's just the way it goes  
Yeah

I done made it through  
Stand on my own two  
I paid my dues  
Yeah yeah  
Tried to hold me down

you can't stop me now  
I paid my dues, yeah  
yeah yeah yeah

Took so long to get me here (here)  
But I won't live in fear (fear)  
You try to steal my shine (shine)  
But first they wanna build you up (up)  
Then they tear you down (down)  
It's a struggle tryin' to bubble

so I...  
(Held my head high)  
I Knew (I Knew I'd survive)  
Oahh (I made it)  
(Don't hate it)  
Said that's - just - the - wayyyyy

(I'm done - Made it through)  
(Stand on my own two)  
I said I paid my - I paid my dues  
Yeah  
(Try to hold me down)  
But you can't stop me now  
I paid my - paid my dues  
Whohoh

(I done made it through)  
(Stand on my own two)  
I said I paid my, I paid my dues  
Yeahhhhh  
(Tried to hold me down)  
But you can't stop me now (you can't stop me now)  
(I paid my dues) I paid my, paid my dues