Woke up this morning hearing shots below my project window The TV's on from playing all night on Nintendo jumped out of bed tryin to see what's up with all the noise and I see somebody else has caught a case of lead poison This type of shit around my way is a regular occurance because the same shit just happened to my nigga Terrence a week later now somebody else is laying dying surrounded by a crowd of people and his momma crying the way he's laying there it looks to me that he's a goner I seen the cats who just did it run around the corner I start to wonder who it is and why they had to wet  $\mathop{\text{him}}$ I bet I knew him or at least I bet I probably met him I can't pretend I'm shocked like electrocution cuz any night there could be an execution my momma told me that that thug shit will get you buried the next day there's your name in the obituary I asked her why we gotta live in this environment She said Your grandfather drank up his retirement plus when I fucked around and had you I was just a baby Just maybe if I wasn't being miss lady things could've been a little bit better threw on my jeans and my double knit sweater I hit the block tryin to find out who got done in Who had the gun and who that was I seen running

Another body on the ground cold and another day another lost soul and same shit in every zip code no matter where you go its just another block episode another story on the street told and another turn down the wrong road and sit back and watch it unfold yo I'll let you know just another block episode

Yo, I roam the streets with my peeps and the gun by my crotch I got beef with this cat that resides on my block he getting popped i swear when I see him it's on He'll just be a tattoo on his best friends arm my friends screaming "Punch be calm" y'all can save it He borrowed 5 G's two months ago, still ain't pay it This girl hit me on the cell about his location I grabbed my gun jumped in the hoopty then I started racing turned off the lights a block away so he don't peep the caper I see him and a bunch of cats by the bodega Don't wanna kill him I just wanna teach this cat a lesson Stepped on the gas grab the gun cocked back the weapon shot up the whole corner but hit him in the kneecap that's cool cuz dead niggaz can't pay your cash back I'm nutting to laugh at I keep bad temper I hit him a bystander and one of his crewmembers

yo yo yo, last thing I heard was a blast car circling past I wasn't nervous thought they might be searching for gas soon as Rob came out dispersing the trash car sped and lead went through his windows curtains and glass

dove in the dirt and the grass I look bullet struck my right arm glass in my left palm I lost my neck charm I knew it was punch cuz Rob owed him money but never had it always got new kicks and gear to match it I'm in the ambulance I thought that beef was squashed that's why when he seen Punch he crossed the street and dodged See Rob's records with the DA and ??? my records 4.0 GPA going to Harvard Athletes 100 miles and running he's a convict other hand my high school football team I lead in yardage boys regardless blood pressure dropped artery vessel clogged cardiac arrest next my chest was shocked IV oxygen mask bleeding heavily we need to get to the hospital fast I'm doing 70 why I gotta be a casuality of war did good most my life my career was growing gradually and more hearing "hold on, you'll be alright, you're gonna make it" sirens up ahead construction on the pavement slowed down from this moment I didn't have a chance see he didn't have his flash can't believe I died in the traffic jam