Now from a tribe called Quest And I'm here tonight with The Jungle Brothers And we're about to get into this thing called Black is black, is black, is black

Yeah, uh, huh, aah, baby Said yeah, ah hah Black is black, is black, is black

In America today, I have to regret to say Something, something is not right And it deals with black and white Tell me Mike G, is it me? Nah, it's just society Filled with propagander, huh, why do we meander, huh?

In a zone with hate for peace, all of this B.S must cease
All I am is one black man in a mighty big white hand
Brother, brother, sister, sister, if you're miss or if you're mister
Listen please to this fact
Black is black, is black, is black

Black is black, is black, is black Black is black, is black, is black

Way back when in '68 when brothers didn't have it great They fought back with civil rights That scarred the soul, it took the sight The common foe you plainly see on the streets or on T.V Segregation was the king, Vietnam was full in swing

Martin Luther had to shout, "Let's get out, get out, get out"
The situation sort of changed
But what really makes matters strange is our foe is well disguised
We don't know where our fate lies, still and all we cannot lack
The fact that black is black, is black

Black is black, is black, is black Black is black, is black, is black

Judged by both my race and color
Don't you know we need each other?
I need you and you need me and if not now you soon will see
My light complexion has no meaning
If you think so you're still dreaming
Wake up, wake up, wake up
There's no time for us to break up
Black is black not blue or purple

Being black is like a circle, round and round we all will go Where we end up I don't know, listen to me if you will Your fantasies will get you killed Reality is what is real, reality is black is black I try, try to tell my people, we all are one, created equal Before we master, we must plan, is that so hard to understand?

Today's the day we get together
To try to change and make things better

If not where will we be tomorrow? Drowning in the pool of sorrow Daylight shines but still few see that we must fight for unity In a picture that's fixed as black and white Why's it both that have to fight? Uplift the race, uplift the race See my soul and not my face, all for one and one for all Black is black, that's right y'all