

Noah

“Everything free in America, for a small fee in America”

In America when I walk into the pet store at
the metro mall

In America when, I go to petsmart to
buy snacks for my pets.

In America when I get a car.

In America when I try to get a house
my online search shows me that it's going to be
hard to pay for rent if I don't have a good job

In America when I go to a store to buy food
to feed myself

In America when I have to pay for the bus.

Zach

“Buying on credit is so nice”

In America at the gas station, a man
pulls up and gets gas with a two year old
in the car.

I like to be in America
in America people look at me
like I'm nothing. They throw us in jail
and throw away The Key. But when we get
out, we will show how to feel, the pain that we revealed

In America they like to see us
fail, they like to see steel, But when
we try to succeed, we will show them
what's real.

Free to be anything you choose,
in America the biggest thing I
can do is to succeed or fail, to get treatment
or go to jail, But when I come up successful
I wish you were here, because my goodbyes
will never end, but I know I'll see you
soon, so my prayers will always be with
you

Brian W.

“Life can be bright in America, if you can fight in America”

In America I see fights on
the streets. In America the
sun is bright forever.

“Life is alright in America”

Because it is fun in America
with more and more games.

“Skyscrapers bloom in America”

In America I see skyscrapers on
the streets in Boston.

Carlos

“Life is alright in America”

If your skin is glowing
bright in America.
In America where to them
I am the odd one
But I feel I am normal because
I'm god's son
I am me and you are you
what about it
be proud of who you are scream
and shout it.

“Buying on credit is so nice”

In America where my shoes
are clean by my stomach is empty
were where supposed to be white but
everyone left me
where I try to do right
but get held back
where they say we are free
but really where in a hell
trap

Lawrence

In America

I'll have my own washing machine
What will you have, though, to keep clean?
I was told to keep my self clean, but never would
listen to my mom. She would pull out the
belt, then I would begin to cry.

In America

buying on credit is so nice.
One look at us and they charge twice.
I saved up some money to buy me some shoes then
the next day someone jacked my shoes.

In America

lots of new houses with more space
lots of doors slamming in our face.
My house was made of made growing up on the
Rez cold night hot day having to hide from
the water coming from the ceiling.

Daniel

In America where cars roam free but
cost so much. In America where my
best friends' mom struggles to pay
her mortgage

Smoke on you pip and put that
in. In America people would around
smoking weed thinking every thing is
alright. Thinking they could do
whatever they want but they
have some kind of struggle in
their life

Here you are free and you have
pride long as you stay on your own
side. People who believe in different colors
stay on their own side some people
can't even go in other streets because
they feel something wrong.

Terrible time in America I forget
I'm in America. Life could be
hard in America but life could
Be easy in America as long as
you play the right cards in America

Marcus S.

Life can be bright in America
if you can fight in America.
in America people fight for what they think is right,
In America walk through to get to the light.
In America people do what they want to do.
In America people who the can so to.
In America it all about who I am.

Life is alright in America
if you're all white in America
America is the melting pot.
In America we like to stay on top.
Win is what we like to do.
I like sports and others like them to.
America is alright as long as everyone
is all tight.

Brandon H

“If you can fight in America”

In America, where I battle internally with
my false sense of security, while yearning
to reach the person I am meant to be.

“Buying on credit is so nice”

In America, where my biggest payment is time,
struggling to pay off the debt that I have cast on myself

“I like to be in America”

In America, where my greatest opportunity
is a second chance at greatness, where my
imperfections, may be noticed, but not judged,
where all of my focus is directed at the one
thing I will not be denied: change

Urban

“I like to be in America”

In America, where I can
be raised alone with my
25 brothers and sisters.

In America, where I walk
into a store everyone stares
and mocks me for the size
of my family.

Living where the sun is
bright and the plains
go out of sight.

Living where you walked
down the wrong path and
you get locked behind
hard walls that make
me go blind.

Brian S.

Life is ok in America
if you find the right place
you belong so that the people
around me can't make you in
for something your not. Fighting
and selling drugs just to be
cool. and when someone gives
you the back, you might
want to change something your
not.