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Dis-tinc-tive-ness - the quality of being individual or easily distinguishable.

This is the word I chose, the word that I want to define my future. *Distinctiveness*. I feel that if I am dissimilar to anyone in my field later in life, I can go remarkably far. I'd like to be a producer, and in music, being different is integral to your success. If you're just like everyone else, why would people have any incentive to listen to your music? They could just listen to the hundreds of others who sound like you.

Trying new things that haven't been done before can open doors for you in more places than just music. You can apply your distinctiveness to every aspect of life. An example of that is Michael Jordan. He had a sort of flair that the NBA, and even the world, had *never* seen before. He was groundbreaking. Jordan's flashy playing style combined with his pure skill made for an excellent player; arguably the greatest of all time. My goal is to represent that concept through my work.

I'd like to be unlike anyone else and that mentality really resonates with me. Part of my personality is being attracted to attention. I'm unable to pinpoint exactly why my brain works in this way, but if I had to guess, I would say it's because of my innate desire to feel powerful and free. While I would stoop to low levels just to have people looking at me, I would go to great lengths to separate myself from the norm. I use the way I dress, my clothing style, my voice, and even my schoolwork to deviate from paths society has set for people like me.

To be honest, I whole-heartedly believe that I get this inclination from my parents, especially from my mother. I hear all the time from her clients, coworkers, and business partners, just how excellent she is. I've been informed that I'm a lucky son and that she's an amazing person to look up to. In normal instances, I would never expect to hear something like that said about a young African-American woman in the business world. I'm realizing while writing this that I undoubtedly want to reflect her legacy in my future.

I want to be like my father, too. I've never met a more confident, strong, stoic and educated man in my life. It seems like he's giving me advice or life lessons every other day. Sometimes I feel as if I don't show enough appreciation for him or his guidance, so from this point on, I'm vowing to try and find the true value in every word he says to me.

In the end, I want to be better than both of my parents. I want to leave more of an impact with my music than Michael Jordan had on the NBA. To me, it's not about material possessions or fame. To me, it's about being a better version of myself.

Better than anyone could ever imagine.

The Concept

As juvenile as it may be,
I have a vision of the future.
it's the one *I* have, and the one *I* see.
I have a concept of the next generation.
It comes with collaborating nations
Along with celebrations
And the eradication of deforestation
But I'm getting off track.
Distracted.
Thinking about what could happen,
Let's bring this back.
And focus on the present.
Things aren't so bad how they are today.
Except world leaders have betrayed us,
because they lack action.
There needs to be more interaction
between us, the people, and them.
But luckily, this generation hasn't lost hope-
and every day, we're making the changes necessary.
We're coming together and doing what's right.
With enough effort and achievement,
I think we can make it.

As for right now,
I'll sit here with my head in the clouds,
hoping for what may be.
Dreaming that my concept of this generation
can become a reality.