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why do rap mcs present their studio recorded lyrics as live and direct why do they so insistently define abilities or actions theirs or someone else's against a pre-existing signifier this book examines the compositional practice of rap lyricists and offers compelling answers to these questions through a 40 year span analysis of the music it argues that whether through the privileging of chanted call and response phrases or through rhetorical strategies meant to assist in getting one's listening audience open the focus of the first rap mcs on community building and successful performer audience cooperation has remained prevalent on rap records with lyrics and production techniques encouraging the listener to become physically and emotionally involved in recorded performances relating rap's rhetorical strategy of posing inferences through intertextuality to early call and response routines and crowd controlling techniques this study emphasizes how the dynamic and collective elements from the stage performances and battles of the formative years of rap have remained relevant in the creative process behind this music it contends that the customary use of identifiable

references and similes by rap lyricists works as a fluid interchange designed to keep the listener involved in the performance like call and response in live performances it involves a dynamic form of communication and places mcs in a position where they activate the shared knowledge of their audience making sure that they know what they mean thus transforming their mediated lyrics into a collective and engaging performance

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hip hop culture has grown from its humble beginnings in the south bronx section of new york city into a significant and influential cultural movement this volume examines the rich history and promising future of this musical genre created in the mid 1970s by poor bronx residents with few resources hip hop has become a billion dollar industry whose reach now stretches around the world hip hop has influenced the way people make music the way they dance and the way they wear their clothes it has also shaped people s political views and turned many people into entrepreneurs

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in hip hop time goes beyond popular narratives of hip hop resistance exploring senegalese hip hop as a musical movement deeply tied to indigenous performance practices and changing social norms in urban africa

hip hop is remarkably self critical as a genre in lyrics rappers continue to debate the definition of hip hop and question where the line between underground artist and mainstream crossover is drawn who owns the culture and who runs the industry and most importantly how to remain true to the culture s roots while also seeking fame and fortune the tension between the desires to preserve hip hop s original culture and to create commercially successful music promotes a lyrical war of words between mainstream and underground artists that keeps hip hop very much alive today in response to criticisms that hip hop has suffered or died in its transition to the mainstream this book seeks to highlight and examine the ongoing dialogue among rap artists whose work describes their own careers proclamations of hip hop s death have flooded the airwaves the issue may have reached its boiling point in nas s 2006 album hip hop is dead nas s album is driven by nostalgia for a mythically pure moment in hip hop s history when the music was motivated by artistic passion instead of base commercialism in the course of this same album however nas himself brags about making money for his particular record label these and similar contradictions are emblematic of the complex forces underlying the dialogue that keeps hip hop a vital element of our culture is hip hop dead seeks to illuminate the origins of hip hop nostalgia and examine how artists maintain control of their music and culture in the face of corporate record companies government censorship and the standardization of the rap image many hip hop artists both mainstream and underground use their lyrics to engage in a complex dialogue about rhyme skills versus record sales and commercialism versus culture this ongoing dialogue invigorates hip hop and provides a common ground upon which we can reconsider many of the developments in the industry over the past 20 years building from black traditions that value knowledge gained from personal experience rappers emphasize the importance of street knowledge and its role in forging a career in the music business lyrics adopt models of the self made man narrative yet reject the trajectories of white americans like benjamin franklin who espoused values of prudence diligence and delayed gratification hip hop s narratives instead promote a more immediately viable gratification through crime and extend this criminal mentality to their work in the music business through the lens of hip hop and the threats to hip hop culture author mickey hess is able to confront a range of important issues including race class criminality authenticity the media and personal identity

seminar paper from the year 2013 in the subject american studies culture and applied geography grade 2 7 university of kassel language english abstract hip hop does only represent a mere music genre but also constitutes a movement that emerged out of

profound economic and social changes in new york of the 1970s it is a cultural expression of an afrodiasporic community that faced social and racial inequity originally hip hop constituted a shelter for ethnic minorities that have been socially marginalized by the dominant american culture however hip hop also constitutes a commercial commodity which is often reduced to its commercial purpose this balancing act of representing a culture on the one hand and a commodity on the other hand evoked a discussion on authenticity the aim of this paper is to analyze how and to what extent authenticity is claimed in songs of hip hop artists in order to understand the discussion of authenticity in hip hop it is crucial to provide an informational background of the preconditions that contributed to the development of hip hop chapter 1 provides this basis and describes social and political circumstances that america and especially new york experienced throughout the 1970s the resulting evolution of the hip hop movement is subject to chapter 2 explaining the beginnings of the movement and outlining hip hop s elements chapter 2 is concerned with the concept of authenticity in the course of this section i will deal with kemberly mcLeod s six semantic dimensions of authenticity which serve as a basis for the subsequent analyses the last chapter provides an analysis of five rap songs that will be analyzed according to mcLeod s dimensions of authenticity the aim of this chapter is to find out to what extent authenticity claims are used and how many dimensions can be identified in a song additionally it is analyzed if certain dimensions are used more frequently or more specifically if it is possible to allocate priorities to mcLeod s dimensions

if you re a fan of the hit show empire and its characters cookie lucious hakeem jamal and andre then you have to check out terrance dean s provocative memoir *hiding in hip hop* dean writes a compelling story about black gay men in hip hop and hollywood and what it takes for them to make it the entertainment industry jill king new york times bestselling author of *on the down low* celebrated blogger and former mtv insider terrance dean reveals a hidden side of hollywood and hip hop in this explosive and illuminating memoir terrance dean worked his way up for more than ten years in the entertainment industry from intern to executive and has lived the life of glitz and bling along with hollywood and hip hop s most glamorous heavy hitters as a gay man immersed within the world of the famous and the fabulous dean knows well the industry s secrets and the façade that is kept that for men promotes machismo and heteronormative behavior most of what dean unveils in this book is fascinating and salacious but all of it is true he also shares his own secrets and an account of the pain of his mother s addiction and the poverty and molestation he experienced as a child *hiding in hip hop* is not a traditional tell all it s personal it s poignant it s a provocative and honest look at stardom and sexuality

examines the significance of the hood in rap and hip hop the hood comes first looks at the increasingly specific emphasis on real neighborhoods and streets in rap music and hip hop culture as an urgent response to the cultural and geographical ghettoization of black urban communities examining rap music along with ancillary hip hop media including radio music videos rap press and the cinematic hood genre murray forman

analyzes hip hop culture's varying articulations of the terms ghetto inner city and the hood and how these spaces both real and imaginary are used to define individual and collective identity negotiating academic corporate and street discourses form an assesses the dynamics between race social space and youth race class and national identification are recast and revised within rap's spatial discourse concluding with the construction of the hood a social and geographic symbol that has become central to concepts of hip hop authenticity additionally the book analyzes the processes within the music and culture industries through which hip hop has been amplified and disseminated from the hood to international audiences

free sampler in the more than 40 years since the days of dj kool herc and rapper s delight hip hop and rap have become a billion pound worldwide cultural phenomenon that reaches well beyond music into fashion movies art and politics yet there is no definitive history of the genre until now get a first look at this massive and comprehensive compendium before it officially publishes in october including details of the most iconic moments and influential songs in the genre's recorded history from kurtis blow's christmas rappin to the miseducation of lauryn hill to kendrick lamar's verse on control the book will also include key events in hip hop history from grandmaster flash's first scratch through to tupac's holographic appearance at coachella throughout the book chuck offers an insider's perspective on the chart toppers artists and key moments illustrating the pages are more than 150 portraits from madurgency an artist collective specialising in art and design for the hip hop community

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a one of a kind survey of rap and hip hop history from 1973 to today by chuck d arguably the most influential rapper in the world in the more than 40 years since the days of dj kool herc and rapper s delight hip hop and rap have become a billion dollar worldwide phenomenon yet there is no definitive history of the genre until now based on chuck's long running show on rapstation.com this massive compendium details the most iconic moments and influential songs in the genre's recorded history from kurtis blow's christmas rappin to the miseducation of lauryn hill to kendrick lamar's ground breaking verse on control also included are key events in hip hop history from grandmaster flash's first scratch through tupac's holographic appearance at coachella throughout chuck offers his insider's perspective on the chart toppers and show stoppers as he lived it illustrating the pages are more than 100 portraits from the talented artists specializing in hip hop

discussing the million man march of october 16 1995 as a turning point in the history of african american protest this volume offers five interpretive contexts to demarcate its cultural location the march is analyzed as a struggle within the african american political

establishment 1 as an attempt at unified black action against a new politics of white resentment 2 and as the nation of islam's most visible self-dramatization since its founding in the 1930s 3 relying on these themes a rhetorical analysis of louis farrakhan's speech at the march uncovers the noi's uneasy yet intimate relationship with the rituals of american civil religion 4 finally contradiction addresses farrakhan's influence on black hip-hop culture and academic afrocentrism 5

seminar paper from the year 2011 in the subject english language and literature studies linguistics grade 13 university of heidelberg anglistisches seminar course ps ii cultural dimensions of language variation and communication language english abstract in recent studies on cultural aspects of languages subcultures have been given more and more importance on the metaphorical potential of such groups kövecses noted that subcultures develop their own metaphors and these metaphors may define the group there is of course no subculture that defines itself through an entirely new set of metaphors but some of the metaphors members use may be new relative to the mainstream kövecses 2009 286f and this might be especially true for the subculture of hip-hop with its most important manifestation being rap music despite the fact that the genre is in existence since the seventies linguistic studies in this field are still rare and investigations into the metaphorical inventory of rap music literally not existent a first and important step into that direction has been undertaken by scott crossley whose study shows the linguistic potential of rap music as well as its variety of metaphors as a product of a historically oral culture that embodies familiar metaphorical traits african american rap music is especially rich in metaphoric language its roots along with other african american linguistic traditions including signifying the dozens and narrativizing give rap music its exceptional linguistic variety crossley 2005 503 the present term paper will continue crossley's research on metaphorical conceptions in rap music by illustrating further conceptual metaphors but it also likes to develop it into a new direction by including german rap music as well the relationship between american and german rap music is especially interesting because it is coined by a linguistic impact that is by far not as strong on a more general level cer

in this second fully revised edition the 10 volume encyclopedia of language and education offers the newest developments including two new volumes of research and scholarly content essential to the field of language teaching and learning in the age of globalization in the selection of topics and contributors the encyclopedia reflects the depth of disciplinary knowledge breadth of interdisciplinary perspective and diversity of sociogeographic experience in the field throughout there is an inclusion of contributions from non english speaking and non western parts of the world providing truly global coverage

examining the dynamics of hip-hop from every region and in every form mainstream and underground current and classic this compelling how to discusses everything from content and flow to rhythm and delivery in relation to the art and craft of rap compiled

from the most extensive research on rapping to date this first of its kind guide delivers countless candid and exclusive insights from more than 100 of the most critically acclaimed artists in hip hop including clipse cypress hill nelly public enemy remy ma schoolly d a tribe called quest and will i am unraveling the stories behind their art and preserving a wealth of the genre's history through the words of the legends themselves exhaustively detailing the many complex aspects of rapping such as utilizing literary tools and devices to strengthen content battling imagery similes metaphors analogies slang performing both live and in the studio word play controversial content and punchlines and constructing beats singles and freestyling with emphasis on enunciating and breathing for unique vocal style this remarkable book will benefit beginners and pros alike with its limitless wealth of rapping lore and insight

sly stone began recording there's a riot goin' on in late 1970 as a follow up to the commercially successful stand in this brisk inventive book miles marshall lewis chronicles sly's descent into a haze of drug addiction and delirium as he rejects the successful formula dance to the medley dance to the shmedly and creates one of the most powerful and haunting albums to inspire the hip-hop movement book jacket

what is the real hip hop to whom does hip hop belong for what constructive purposes can hip hop be put to use these are three key questions posed by hip hop activists in hip hop versus rap which explores the politics of cultural authenticity ownership and uplift in london's post hip hop scene the book is an ethnographic study of the identity role formation and practices of the organic intellectuals that populate and propagate this conscious hip hop milieu turner provides an insightful examination of the work of artists and practitioners who use hip hop off street in the spheres of youth work education and theatre to raise consciousness and to develop artistic and personal skills hip hop versus rap seeks to portray how cultural activism which styles itself grassroots and mature is framed around a discursive opposition between what is authentic and ethical in hip hop culture and what is counterfeit and corrupt turner identifies that this play of difference framed as an ethical schism also presents hip hop's organic intellectuals with a narrative that enables them to align their insurgent values with those of policy and to thereby receive institutional support this enlightening volume will be of interest to post graduates and scholars interested in hip hop studies youth work critical pedagogy young people and crime justice the politics of race racism the politics of youth education urban governance social movement studies street culture studies and vernacular studies

eric reese is taking the cultural shock of hip hop to unknown boundaries of music history so educate yourself in the way of life that is defining young america now hip hop truth for the art and pulse of america this cultural brilliance of sound presented a voice and unique mind through the rough streets of america's largest conurbations going as far back as the 1920s sprung from the spirits of poverty this inner city culture quickly uncovered an amazing bunch of young fresh black american forces of nature eager to express their unique self street accounts and contributed to a spirited new style of soul of

black americana across major cities in the usa nowadays hip hop has reached the doorsteps of regions as distinct as africa japan korea myanmar jamaica and just about everywhere to picture how far rap music has come i tell you its biography in a number of urban themes all pointing to a surreal social evolution you ll learn in this book the differences between hip hop and rap the earliest records of music styles which greatly influenced hip hop what constitutes hip hop and rap culture why underground hip hop is its prominent feature the merits of cultural theory and popular culture in rap greatest benchmarks in hip hop history by year genres of rap music and hip hop thoroughly explained and much more as this music legacy continues to expand its sway know for sure it s here to stay the history of hip hop gives the popular culture reader the very insights of an indisputable force of rappers which guarantees to keep producing incredible music talents and exciting new classics for ages to come hip hop lives on no need to hesitate click buy now and submerge yourself in the legacy of the world s cultural evolution

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