

# Police Brutality

*Tune: Summertime*

Sometimes cops, they just seem to lose it  
That's what dark-skinned people must fear  
There's a long list of abuses to prove it  
Here are a few of those mournful names.

Patrick Dorismond, killed for refusing  
An undercover cop's request for drugs  
Shawn Bell, never got to his wedding  
The cops' 50 gunshots got to him first

Remember Diallo, armed with a wallet  
Clifford Glover, only 10 years old  
Timothy Stansbury, on his way to a party  
So many more whose names we don't know

Abner Louima was raped in a precinct  
He's still alive so the criminal's in jail  
Because Louima was able to counter  
The slanders and smears that came his way

If you are white, please take a moment  
A brief speculation, and then you may know  
Imagine your children, their skin a bit darker  
What will you tell them, when outside, they go

Will you tell them, police are their friends  
With a mission to serve and protect  
Or will you beg them to give cops a wide berth  
Because the black and the brown never know who'll be next