

For progress update number one it was basically just writing down all ideas I have; not in any organized manner but more in the route of brainstorming. If I have an idea about a line I might use because it is clever to me personally then I write it down, or if I have an idea about a topic with other things that go along with it like a certain type of video then I write it down. After that progress number one, now it is getting down to writing the actual songs and recording it. Since the studio costs a lot of money and I do get an income every two weeks I spent on the studio twice and for the other two songs I stayed recording at home on my mac computer using the mac computer's built-in microphone, reason being I'm still trying to save a lot of my money and not spend it on a lot of different things. But as I said for progress number two I've been writing down the titles of the songs, and writing down the actual songs out line by line while listening to the beat. In total there are four songs I wrote down and recorded for this culmination project. The first two were recorded in a studio and they are called "Slayer freestyle" and "how many mics". The slayer freestyle is a freestyle so there isn't any subject matter consistent throughout the song. Just displaying rhyming ability, flow and what rap calls it punchlines sprinkled throughout the song. For how many mics, that song does have a topic at hand. And the subject matter is saying how me as the rapper rapping the song is underground and is calling out the rappers that are mainstream and telling them I am underground and my passion and hunger is summoning me to be allowed to battle them for three rounds or even more. So the verses in it of itself without constantly mentioning the words mainstream or underground is showing why I am an underground rapper, and how this underground rapper is a starving artist and is excited and eager to go at any of these rappers that are famous with a slight taste of wealth. As for the other two songs, they were recorded at home on my mac computer. The first song is called Love, and the title is directly the same as the title for the song by Alicia Keys with the same exact beat by Alicia Keys. The song even has the hook or the chorus at the end by Alicia Keys singing it since I like the singing done for the song. But that song does have a subject and it is what the title is getting at, love. Not love for any human but how people expect love to always be about a boy loving a girl, no instead the song is saying how life can be tolling and how loving a girl can be just as tolling so I try to find some passion to love. And that passion is playing the video game called 2K which is a video simulation basketball game. I dump all my anger, fear, bravery, joy and all other sorts of emotions into that game. When I am feeling up I still play that game, when I am feeling down I still play that game almost as if I am a real athlete like Kobe Bryant (Rest In Peace) who did everything in life for basketball to be the greatest his limits can only stop which he even pushed. And the last and fourth final song is called Hitman Whittleton Creek, that song also has a subject in mind. That song is also pertaining to a video game, and that video game is a narrative video game following a storyline of a hitman that is hired to go on these missions in different locations abroad and steal evidence, and eventually kill some target or even targets in the same place. And for this game I chose the place that the game is called Whittleton Creek because a specific part of the game, a specific part of music is being played that resonates with me for some reason that I like. And so I decided to make a song out of it because why not. So I go through the beginning part of a mission hitman does which is usually a commander telling you what to do and who to kill. Then throughout the song go through the motions on what happens. A few things are subduing and twisting necks and changing clothing of the person you just had subdued to continue to access a place to keep continuing the hitman mission. But at the end I give it a twist in saying how myself is doing this

hitman mission should be a warning to all fellow rappers or in other words M.C.;S on ever battling me. So for progress number two the update is I already wrote and recorded the four songs and edited acoustically as well.