



- Rihanna is from Barbados.
- As well as being a singer, Rihanna is an actress and the founder of a non-profit organisation, a cosmetics brand and a fashion house.

Dem Haters

by Rihanna ★



I'm not concerned with people
Who'll prey¹ on the 1) of their
fellow man (Oh yeah)
'Cause they only wanna know you, enroll you
Only for the 2) you have
I just think it's so sad

CHORUS

Get dem haters out your 3)
(Haters) Smile in your face
But all they wanna do is bring you down
Bring you down, no, no (down)
Down, yeah
See them try to mess to 4) you
They're gonna try and work you
Anything to bring you down, down, down

They keep 5) thoughts in their
hearts
What you don't know
You can't let them knock your hustle²

Not letting them know how much you struggle
They turn green with 6) when
you're on top
And dem heart is full with strife³
They're gonna try to take your life

REPEAT CHORUS/REFRAIN X2

You know they talk about you
and they tell the 7)
Don't be fooled you better 8)
They're not there for you,
they don't care for you
Trust me, 'cause I know it's true
You know they smile in your face
and make you think they down
Then they turn against you when you're not
9)
It's just jealousy and 10)
so hold on to your sanity.

REPEAT CHORUS/REFRAIN X2

1 to take advantage of

2 positive energy

3 strong disagreement

1 Go online and listen to the song. Complete the gaps in the lyrics.

2 For questions 1-4, choose the correct answer (A, B or C).

- What is the main message of the song?
A be careful who you trust B don't regret the past C try to correct your mistakes
- What does the phrase 'bring you down' mean?
A make you sad B make you fall C harm you
- What emotion does the phrase 'turn green with envy' relate to?
A anxiety B fear C jealousy
- Which phrase best describes the theme of the song?
A crazy fools B false friends C real enemies

3 What is the title of the song in plain English?

4 Why do you think the songwriter wrote the song?