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The New Curriculum

The world's going to hell in a hand basket
But at least you're learning useful things at school,
Even got a new curriculum:

English
Math
Science
Socials
P.E.
Career Prep

It's the New Curriculum.
Meet the new boss, same as the old boss.

New Math:
Quadratics, trigonometry, graphing...
God forbid we learn how to budget,
Cuz the debt crisis didn't come from nowhere.

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New English:
Novels, poems, dead people...
All necessary to succeed in life,
Cuz who can really live without that drama?

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New Science:
Periodic table, body parts and physics math...
All fascinating information at parties,
Cuz ya know everybody remembers it all.

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New Socials:
Ancient civilizations & Old-Canada
Don't get too bored or you might miss something,
Cuz all this relates to your life somehow.

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So in a world full of problems

How about a curriculum that relates to our lives

Day 1 Block 1: Climate Change & Sustainability

Cuz this is not a debate. It's a fact!

Can we survive like this? Well, can *WE* survive like this?!

Block 2: Medicine and mental health

Cuz one in five of you will suffer depression,

And anxiety and suicide are pretty bad too.

Block 3: Waste & water management

Cuz that land fill ain't gettin' any smaller,

And the Exxon Valdez spills every year in the tar sands.

Block 4: Democracy, Law and Politics

Cuz how many of us voted last election,

And NAFTA lets gas companies put nerve toxin in gas.

Day 2:

Block 1: Computers & Programming

Cuz they run your lives,

And most of you don't have a clue how.

Block 2: Racism & Oppression

Cuz most of the world deals with this problem

And Aboriginal people live what kind of lives?

Block 3: Equity and Equality

Cuz one is not the other,

And ladies make how much less money?

Block 4: Engineering

Cuz you drove here in something, you live in a building

And you should know more about them.

And anybody tell you that I missed poetry...

We in her talking about poetry.

I mean, listen, we talking about poetry

Not reality, not reality, not reality,

We talking about poetry

Not reality, the reality that I go out there and die for

And live every day like it's my last

Not reality, we talking about poetry man

I mean how silly is that?

We talking about poetry.

I know I supposed to love it,

I know I supposed to lead by example
I know that,
And I'm not shuin' it aside
You know like it don't mean anything
I know it's important
I do! I honestly do
But we talking about poetry man
What are we talking about?
poetry?
We talking about poetry man
We talking about poetry
We talking about poetry
We ain't talking about reality
We talking about poetry, man.