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*Inspired by a line from Michael Czarnecki's "A Short Winter Hike"

I trapse up
And down the jungle
Of the city streets
Always knee-deep
Always watching for cops
'Cause being my color
Makes me guilty of all crimes
A young black male
Always gives them probable cause
A young black male
Always fits the profile
A young black male
Is always guilty
Until proven innocent
I am always walking knee-deep
In racism
That is why I have to trapse
Up and down
The jungle streets