



Scarface

Breakthrough

The Geto Boys' national rise was turbulent, but *Mind Playing Tricks on Me* proved their writing could move far beyond provocation. Scarface's verses give paranoia physical detail: heat, vision, memory, isolation. The song became a cultural reference point for discussing mental strain in rap before the industry had a comfortable language for it.

That breakthrough carried Houston into national conversation. It also established Scarface as the group's emotional center—a writer who could make vulnerability feel harder, not softer, because the listener had to remain inside the consequence.