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Today I'll be reviewing 'Ego Trip' by Papa Roach, an album I bought just a week or so ago. I also recently received a free CD from another artist in the mail because I reviewed it for the record label. Great guys. I could have reviewed that instead, but an incompetent postman put it through my letterbox, cracking the case. Consequently, I find it too painful to talk about. I REALLY hate cracked CD cases, it really is literal pain for me. I'd honestly rather prefer it if someone punched me on the arm. Not a body builder, but someone of my size? Fine. Anyway, PR. Ironically, the band have less of a reason than ever to be on an ego trip with this album, as it's considered their worst by many, even if some fans love it. I have four PR albums altogether, and you know what? Out of all of those albums I do think it's their worst, tragically. I still like it though. Again, when compared to the postman, it's a masterpiece. The band have another album out called 'Lovehatetragedy'. All things considered, that would be a more fitting name than Ego Trip, I think. If anything, it would be perfect!:D

Some of the songs on ET are better than others (actually a review on Google said exactly the same thing, showing these reviews are actually quite insightful) but no songs are terrible. I wouldn't say I know any terrible songs by the band, but I do know some terrible lyrics. Check this one out from their debut: 'It's in our nature to kill each other, it's in our nature to KILL, KILL, KILL!!!!' Why do the band think it's ok to shout that to their audiences, when if the average man on the street shouted that at someone, he'd get arrested? As people listen more to artists than mad hobos, PR are worse. Oh God, I was listening to the album being discussed (how's that for professionalism), now the CD I was gifted is playing in my multi disc system. More anger, more pain. It wouldn't be so bad if the music was bad, but it's not! If the album was rare, though? THEN I'd be upset. I hope I'm not coming across as arrogant and selfish, but I mean... would it hurt to leave the album by the door? What really gets to me is it would requite much less effort than squeezing the thing into my letterbox! >:(

Anyway, PR. Wikipedia says their latest effort was received well by critics. There you go, be positive. Yes, their skills are declining, but they still have some. I'm not saying the band have early stage dementia, I would never say anything negative about someone with the condition. I have heard people say you can away with treating those afflicted badly, but a normal person would realise that's not the point, obviously. If someone said they'd been mistreating such people, I wouldn't think they're being clever, I'd call the police. Oh yes, you may be wondering what the album I reviewed was. It was 'Dreams From the Darkest Side' by Statement. It's very good. As I've just promoted them again, maybe the band would like to send me another CD, this time protected with some heavy duty bubblewrap? Oh forget it, the postman would probably find an excuse to stamp on it.

Ahhh, now Sepultura is in my player. Sweet relief. I always wondered if the band name meant anything or if it just sounded cool, all it took was some simple Googling. It means 'Burial Grave'. Sounds very dark? Well it's not as dark as a mood caused by a silly postma.... Oh, I'll drop it. To be precise, the band's album I own is called 'Chaos A.D.' I remember when I was on a school holiday in Spain, in a CD shop and I couldn't decide whether to get a Sep album or Hammerfall's 'Glory to the Brave'. It wasn't a good holiday as I had schizophrenia, but it was a holiday technically speaking. I can't remember what the Sep CD I was interested in was, but if it was

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their 'Schizophrenia' album, what a coincidence, right? Actually the GTTB album was a coincidence too, as I was brave dealing with my symptoms. As Alan Partridge would say 'So ruddy, bloody brave.' In the end I got Ham, which I think was a better choice as it's super fantastic and I loved it. Sure I was mentally ill, but the situation wasn't ALL bad.

Whoops, I've stopped talking about Papa Roach again. Wikipedia says the band started with a trombone player! I'm glad as he left the band or was kicked out after about a month as there's just something weird about a guy screaming 'KILL, KILL, KILL!' as another person plays a low pitched brass instrument at the same time. It's an instrument commonly used in classical music and jazz. Can you picture Louis Armstrong singing 'What a Wonderful World' then letting his fellow band member play a trombone solo? You can? Well then picture Louis singing it's in our nature to kill. Not a wonderful world, a frightening world and on the whole, a bad idea. I'm sorry for complaining that I had mental problems, Mr. Armstrong has gone truly mad. Anyway, I like Ego Trip! Not that much but I think a solid 8.25/10 is fair, bye!