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# Genius

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These are the lyrics to Kendrick Lamar's song "DNA" (as a Google search would show).  
The title "Genius" indicates that we should examine the lyrics on genius.com.

We can compare the two sets of lyrics and find that there are 22 differences, 11 of which are changes to the word "DNA" and 11 of which are the differences listed below. With each non-"DNA" difference, we can use our knowledge and the power of Googling the differing phrases to infer a certain answer:

Line Number	Phrase in Original Lyrics	Phrase in Puzzle	Clue Answer
3	war and peace	the author	Leo Tolstoy
16	bird	saxophonist	Charlie Parker
23	jellyfish	non-polyp stage	medusa
28	Scholars	Hero and a	Alexander Hamilton
32	cell	powerhouse of the	mitochondria
37	nerve	junction between these	synapse
40	truth	intentional opposite	lie
44	several dice	rock band	stones
55	Matrix	protagonist	Neo
66	Nirvana	their last recorded song	You Know You're Right
81	Peace	Bird symbol	dove

We focus now on the differences to the word "DNA" from the original lyrics.

Line Number	Replaced Word
3	heaven
4	mix
5	hue
6	shrine
12	zen
13	floor
14	gun
15	hive
21	knee
22	drive
23	core

We can refer to the flavortext ("Rapping is as easy as 1, 2, 3") for help. We realize that the all the words rhyme with small numbers, specifically the numbers 1 to 10.

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Replaced Word	Rhyming Number
heaven	7
mix	6
hue	2
shrine	9
zen	10
floor	4
gun	1
hive	5
knee	3
drive	5
core	4

Combining our two sets of clues, we can use the rhyming numbers (in order) to index into the previous set of clues (also in order).

Clue Answer	Rhyming Number	Letter
Leo Tolstoy	7	S
Charlie Parker	6	I
medusa	2	E
Alexander Hamilton	9	R
mitochondria	10	R
synapse	4	A
lie	1	L
stones	5	E
Neo	3	O
You Know You're Right	5	N
dove	4	E

yielding a final answer of **SIERRA LEONE**.