



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',  
On a train (1)\_\_\_\_\_ for nowhere  
I met up (2)\_\_\_\_\_ the gambler.  
We (3)\_\_\_\_\_ both too (4)\_\_\_\_\_ to sleep.  
So we (5)\_\_\_\_\_ turns a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When boredom (6)\_\_\_\_\_ us,  
He began to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've made my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' what the cards were  
By the way they held (7)\_\_\_\_\_ eyes.  
So if you don't mind my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a (8)\_\_\_\_\_ of (9)\_\_\_\_\_ whiskey,  
I'll give you (10)\_\_\_\_\_ advice.'  
So I (11)\_\_\_\_\_ him my bottle,  
and he drank down my last swallow.  
Then he (12)\_\_\_\_\_ a cigarette  
And asked me for a light.  
And the night got deathly quiet,  
And his face lost all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're gonna play the game, boy,  
You gotta learn to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know (13)\_\_\_\_\_ to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now (14)\_\_\_\_\_ gambler knows

The secret to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to throw away  
And knowin' what to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And (15)\_\_\_\_\_ hand's a loser  
And the (16)\_\_\_\_\_ you can (17)\_\_\_\_\_ for  
Is to die in (18)\_\_\_\_\_ sleep.'  
And when he finished speakin',  
He turned back toward the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And faded off to sleep.  
And somewhere in the darkness,  
The gambler he broke even.  
And in his final (19)\_\_\_\_\_ I found  
An ace that I could keep.  
You've got to know  
When to (20)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never (21)\_\_\_\_\_ your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be (22)\_\_\_\_\_ enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to (23)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know (24)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You never (25)\_\_\_\_\_ your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



Answer

1. bound
2. with
3. were
4. tired
5. took
6. overtook
7. their
8. taste
9. your
10. some
11. handed
12. bummed
13. when
14. every
15. every
16. best
17. hope
18. your
19. words
20. hold
21. count
22. time
23. fold
24. when
25. count

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