



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',  
On a (1)\_\_\_\_\_ bound for nowhere  
I met up with the gambler.  
We were (2)\_\_\_\_\_ too tired to sleep.  
So we took turns a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When boredom (3)\_\_\_\_\_ us,  
He (4)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 their eyes.  
So if you don't mind my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a (5)\_\_\_\_\_ of your whiskey,  
I'll give you some advice.'  
So I (6)\_\_\_\_\_ him my bottle,  
and he drank (7)\_\_\_\_\_ my last swallow.  
Then he bummed a cigarette  
And asked me for a light.  
And the (8)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (9)\_\_\_\_\_ to fold 'em  
Know when to (10)\_\_\_\_\_ away,  
Know (11)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You never count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time (12)\_\_\_\_\_ for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now (13)\_\_\_\_\_ gambler knows

The secret to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to throw away  
And knowin' (14)\_\_\_\_\_ to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And every hand's a loser  
And the best you can hope for  
Is to die in your sleep.'  
And (15)\_\_\_\_\_ he (16)\_\_\_\_\_ speakin',  
He (17)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (18)\_\_\_\_\_ words I found  
An ace that I (19)\_\_\_\_\_ keep.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know (20)\_\_\_\_\_ to (21)\_\_\_\_\_ away,  
Know when to run.  
You (22)\_\_\_\_\_ count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time (23)\_\_\_\_\_ for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know (24)\_\_\_\_\_ to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know (25)\_\_\_\_\_ 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.



**Fill in the gaps**

**Answer**

1. train
2. both
3. overtook
4. began
5. taste
6. handed
7. down
8. night
9. when
10. walk
11. when
12. enough
13. every
14. what
15. when
16. finished
17. turned
18. final
19. could
20. when
21. walk
22. never
23. enough
24. when
25. when