



Fill in the gaps

Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma mama had me

Seventeen years old kicked out on the streets

Though back at the time, I (1)_____ (2)_____ I'd see her face

Ain't a woman (3)_____ that could take my mama's place

Suspended (4)_____ school and scared to go home, I was a fool

With the big boys, breakin' all the rules

I shed tears with my baby sister

Over the years we was poorer than the other little kids

And even though we had different daddy's, the same drama

When things went wrong we'd (5)_____ mama

I reminisce on the stress I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama from a (6)_____ cell and high school elementary?

Hey, I see the penitentiary, one day

And runnin' from the police, that's right

Mama catch me, put a whoopin' to my backside

And even as a crack theme, mama

You always was a black queen, mama

I finally understand for a (7)_____ it ain't easy

Tryin' to (8)_____ a man you always was committed

A poor single mother on welfare, tell me how ya did it

There's no way I can pay you back

But the plan is to (9)_____ you that I understand you are appreciated



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Lady, don't cha know we love ya? Sweet lady

Dear mama, place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we love ya?

Now ain't nobody tell us it was fair

No love from my daddy 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed away and I didn't cry, cause my anger

Wouldn't let me feel for a stranger

They say I'm wrong and I'm heartless, but all along

I was lookin' for a father he was gone

I (10)_____ around (11)_____ the Thugs, and even though they sold drugs

They showed a young brother love

I moved out and (12)_____ really hangin'

I needed money of my own so I started shaggin'

I ain't guilty 'cause, (13)_____ though I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

I love payin' rent (14)_____ the rent's due

I hope ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you

'Cause when I was low you was there for me

And never left me (15)_____ because you cared for me

And I (16)_____ see you comin' home after work late

You're in the kitchen tryin' to fix us a hot plate

Ya just workin' with the scraps you was given

And mama (17)_____ miracles every thanksgivin'

But now the road got rough, here alone



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You're tryin' to raise two bad kids on your own

And there's no way I can pay you back

But my plan is to (18)_____ you that I understand you are appreciated

Lady, don't cha know we love ya? (19)_____ lady

And dear mama place no one (20)_____ ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we love ya?

Pour out some liquor and I reminisce, 'cause through the drama

I can always (21)_____ on my mama

And when it seems that I'm hopeless

You say the words that can get me back in focus

When I was sick as a little kid

To keep me happy there's no (22)_____ to the things you did

And all my childhood memories

Are full of all the sweet things you did for me

And (23)_____ though I act crazy

I gotta thank the Lord that you made me

There are no words that can (24)_____ how I feel

You never kept a secret, always (25)_____ real

And I appreciate, how you raised me

And all the extra love (26)_____ you gave me

I wish I (27)_____ take the pain away

If you can make it through the night there's a brighter day

Everything will be alright if ya (28)_____ on

It's a struggle everyday, gotta roll on



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And there's no way I can pay you back

But my plan is to show you that I understand you are appreciated

Lady, don't cha know we love ya? Sweet lady

And dear (29)_____ place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we love ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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Answer

1. never
2. thought
3. alive
4. from
5. blame
6. jail
7. woman
8. raise
9. show
10. hung
11. with
12. started
13. even
14. when
15. alone
16. could
17. made
18. show
19. Sweet
20. above
21. depend
22. limit
23. even
24. express
25. stayed
26. that
27. could
28. hold
29. mama