



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 never (1)_____ I'd see her face

Ain't a woman alive that could take my mama's place

Suspended from 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 (2)_____ little kids

And even though we had (3)_____ daddy's, the same drama

When things went wrong we'd blame mama

I reminisce on the stress I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama from a jail 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 woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise 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 show you that I understand you are appreciated



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Lady, don't cha (4)_____ we love ya? (5)_____ 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 (6)_____ he was gone

I hung around with the Thugs, and even though (7)_____ (8)_____ drugs

They showed a young (9)_____ love

I moved out and (10)_____ really hangin'

I needed money of my own so I started shaggin'

I ain't guilty 'cause, even (11)_____ I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

I love payin' rent when the rent's due

I (12)_____ ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you

'Cause when I was low you was there for me

And never left me alone because you cared for me

And I could see you comin' home after (13)_____ late

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

Ya just workin' (14)_____ the (15)_____ you was given

And mama made miracles (16)_____ thanksgivin'

But now the road got rough, (17)_____ 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 show you that I (18)_____ you are appreciated

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

And dear mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we (20)_____ ya?

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

I can always depend 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 (21)_____ me happy there's no limit to the things you did

And all my (22)_____ memories

Are (23)_____ of all the sweet things you did for me

And (24)_____ though I act crazy

I gotta thank the (25)_____ that you made me

There are no words that can express how I feel

You never kept a secret, always stayed real

And I appreciate, how you raised me

And all the extra love that you gave me

I wish I could take the pain away

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

Everything will be alright if ya hold on

It's a struggle everyday, gotta roll on



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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. thought
2. other
3. different
4. know
5. Sweet
6. father
7. they
8. sold
9. brother
10. started
11. though
12. hope
13. work
14. with
15. scraps
16. every
17. here
18. understand
19. love
20. love
21. keep
22. childhood
23. full
24. even
25. Lord