

Dead in the water It's not a paid vacation The sons and daughters Of (1)_____ officials attend demonstrations It's (2)_____ a sink or swim When all is well if the ticket sells Out with a whimper It's not a blaze of glory You look down (3) your temple As people endeavor to make it a story And chisel a marble word But all is lost if it's never heard But I've got someone to make reports That tell me how my money's spent To book my stays and draw my plans So I can't tell what's really there And all I need's a (4)_____ big: Congratulations I'll keep your dreams

Fill in the gaps

You pay attention for me As strange as it seems I'd rather dissolve (5)_____ have you ignore me The ground may be moving fast But I tied my boots to a broken mast The difference is clear You (6)_____ it in your cauldron Rust and veneer Dusk and dawn Steinways and Baldwins You start with a simple (7)_____ of all the waste And salt to taste But damn my luck and damn these friends That keep on (8)_____ back (9)____ smiles I save my grace with half-assed guilt And lay down the quilt upon the lawn Spread my (10)_____ and soak up: Congratulations



- 1. city
- 2. hardly
- 3. from
- 4. great
- 5. than
- 6. throw
- 7. stock
- 8. combing
- 9. their
- 10. arms

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