



Fill in the gaps

Hurricane by Bob Dylan

Pistol shots (1)_____ out in the barroom night

Enter Patty Valentine from the upper hall.

She sees the bartender in a pool of blood,

Cries out, 'My God, they've (2)_____ them all!'

Here comes the (3)_____ of the Hurricane,

The man the authorities came to blame

For somethin' that he never done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The champion of the world.

Three bodies lyin' there (4)_____ Patty see

And another man named Bello, movin' around mysteriously.

'I didn't do it,' he says, and he throws up his hands

'I was only robbin' the register, I hope you understand.

I saw them leavin',' he says, and he stops

'One of us had better call up the cops.'

And so Patty calls the cops

And they arrive on the scene with their red lights flashin'

In the hot New Jersey night.

Meanwhile, far away in (5)_____ part of town

Rubin Carter and a couple of friends are drivin' around.

Number one contender for the middleweight crown

Had no (6)_____ what kinda shit was (7)_____ to go down

When a cop pulled him over to the side of the road

Just like the time before and the time before that.

In Paterson that's just the way things go.

If you're black you (8)_____ as well not show up on the street

'Less you wanna draw the heat.

Alfred Bello had a partner and he had a rap for the cops.

Him and Arthur Dexter Bradley (9)_____ just out prowlin' around



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He said, 'I saw two men runnin' out, they looked like middleweights

They jumped into a white car with out-of-state plates.'

And Miss Patty Valentine just nodded her head.

Cop said, 'Wait a minute, boys, this one's not dead'

So they took him to the infirmary

And (10)_____ this man could hardly see

They (11)_____ him that he could identify the guilty men.

Four in the mornin' and they haul Rubin in,

Take him to the hospital and they bring him upstairs.

The wounded man looks up through his one dyin' eye

Says, 'Wha'd you bring him in here for? He ain't the guy!'

Yes, here's the story of the Hurricane,

The man the authorities came to blame

For somethin' that he (12)_____ done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The champion of the world.

Four months later, the ghettos are in flame,

Rubin's in South America, fightin' for his name

While Arthur (13)_____ Bradley's still in the robbery game

And the cops are puttin' the screws to him, lookin' for somebody to blame.

'Remember that murder that happened in a bar?'

'Remember you said you saw the getaway car?'

'You (14)_____ you'd like to play ball with the law?'

'Think it might-a been that fighter that you saw runnin' that night?'

'Don't forget (15)_____ you are white.'

Arthur (16)_____ Bradley said, 'I'm really not sure.'

Cops said, 'A poor boy like you could use a break

We got you for the (17)_____ job and we're talkin' to your (18)_____ Bello

Now you don't wanta have to go back to jail, be a nice fellow.

You'll be doin' society a favor.



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That sonofabitch is brave and gettin' braver.

We want to put his ass in stir

We want to pin this triple murder on him

He ain't no (19)_____ Jim.'

Rubin could (20)_____ a man out with just one punch

But he never did like to (21)_____ about it all that much.

It's my work, he'd say, and I do it for pay

And when it's over I'd just as soon go on my way

Up to some paradise

Where the (22)_____ streams flow and the air is nice

And ride a (23)_____ along a trail.

But then they took him to the jail house

Where they try to turn a man into a mouse.

All of Rubin's cards (24)_____ marked in advance

The trial was a pig-circus, he never had a chance.

The judge made Rubin's witnesses drunkards from the slums

To the white folks who watched he was a revolutionary bum

And to the black folks he was just a crazy nigger.

No one doubted that he pulled the trigger.

And though they could not produce the gun,

The D.A. said he was the one who did the deed

And the all-white jury agreed.

Rubin Carter was falsely tried.

The crime was murder 'one,' guess who testified?

Bello and Bradley and (25)_____ both baldly lied

And the newspapers, (26)_____ all went along for the ride.

How can the life of such a man

Be in the palm of some fool's hand?

To see him (27)_____ framed

Couldn't help but make me feel ashamed to live in a land



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Where justice is a game.

Now all the criminals in their coats and their ties

Are free to drink martinis and watch the sun rise

While Rubin sits (28)_____ Buddha in a ten-foot cell

An (29)_____ man in a living hell.

That's the story of the Hurricane,

But it won't be over till they clear his name

And give him (30)_____ the time he's done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The champion of the world.



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Answer

1. ring
2. killed
3. story
4. does
5. another
6. idea
7. about
8. might
9. were
10. though
11. told
12. never
13. Dexter
14. think
15. that
16. Dexter
17. motel
18. friend
19. Gentleman
20. take
21. talk
22. trout
23. horse
24. were
25. they
26. they
27. obviously
28. like
29. innocent
30. back