The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',

On a train bound for nowhere

I met up with the gambler.

We were both too tired to sleep.

So we (1)_____ turns a-starin'

Out the (2)_____ 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 (5)_____ their eyes.

So if you don't (6)_____ my sayin',

I can see you're out of aces,

For a taste of (7)_____ whiskey,

I'll give you (8)_____ advice.'

So I handed him my bottle,

and he drank down my (9)_____ swallow.

Then he bummed a cigarette

And asked me for a light.

And the night 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 (10)_____ to fold 'em

Know when to (11)_____ away,

Know when to run.

You (12)_____ count your money

When you're sittin' at the table.

There'll be time (13)_____ for countin'

When the dealin's done.

Now every (14)_____ knows

The secret to survivin'

Is knowin' what to (15)_____ away

And knowin' what 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 when he (16)_____ speakin',

He turned (17)_____ (18)_____ the window,

Crushed out his cigarette

And faded off to sleep.

And somewhere in the darkness,

The gambler he broke even.

And in his final (19)_____ I found

An ace (20)_____ I could keep.

You've got to know

When to (21)_____ 'em,

Know when to (22)_____ 'em

Know when to walk away,

Know (23)_____ to run.

You never count your money

When you're sittin' at the table.

There'll be (24)_____ enough for countin'

When the dealin's done.

You've got to know

When to hold 'em,

Know when to fold 'em

Know when to walk away,

Know when to run.

You never (25)_____ your money

When you're sittin' at the table.

There'll be time enough for countin'

When the dealin's done.

Answer

1. took
2. window
3. overtook
4. began
5. held
6. mind
7. your
8. some
9. last
10. when
11. walk
12. never
13. enough
14. gambler
15. throw
16. finished
17. back
18. toward
19. words
20. that
21. hold
22. fold
23. when
24. time
25. count