



## Fill in the gaps

### Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma mama had me

Seventeen (1)\_\_\_\_\_ old (2)\_\_\_\_\_ out on the streets

Though back at the time, I never thought I'd see her face

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

Suspended (3)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (4)\_\_\_\_\_ wrong we'd blame mama

I reminisce on the (5)\_\_\_\_\_ I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama (6)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (7)\_\_\_\_\_ queen, mama

I (8)\_\_\_\_\_ understand for a (9)\_\_\_\_\_ it ain't easy

Tryin' to (10)\_\_\_\_\_ a man you always was committed

A (11)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (12)\_\_\_\_\_ you are appreciated



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

Dear mama, place no one (13)\_\_\_\_\_ ya, sweet lady

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

Now ain't nobody tell us it was fair

No (14)\_\_\_\_\_ from my daddy 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed (15)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 hung around with the Thugs, and even though they sold drugs

They showed a (16)\_\_\_\_\_ brother love

I moved out and started really hangin'

I needed money of my own so I started shaggin'

I ain't guilty 'cause, even (17)\_\_\_\_\_ I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in (18)\_\_\_\_\_ mailbox

I love payin' rent when the rent's due

I hope ya got the diamond (19)\_\_\_\_\_ that I sent to you

'Cause when I was low you was there for me

And (20)\_\_\_\_\_ left me alone because you cared for me

And I could see you comin' home after (21)\_\_\_\_\_ late

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

Ya just workin' with the scraps you was given

And mama made 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 (22)\_\_\_\_\_ you that I understand you are appreciated

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

And dear mama place no one above 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 depend on my mama

And when it seems that I'm hopeless

You say the (23)\_\_\_\_\_ that can get me back in focus

When I was sick as a (24)\_\_\_\_\_ kid

To keep me happy there's no limit to the things you did

And all my childhood memories

Are full of all the sweet things you did for me

And even (25)\_\_\_\_\_ I act crazy

I gotta thank the (26)\_\_\_\_\_ (27)\_\_\_\_\_ you made me

There are no words that can (28)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (29)\_\_\_\_\_ 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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Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



Answer

1. years
2. kicked
3. from
4. went
5. stress
6. from
7. black
8. finally
9. woman
10. raise
11. poor
12. understand
13. above
14. love
15. away
16. young
17. though
18. your
19. necklace
20. never
21. work
22. show
23. words
24. little
25. though
26. Lord
27. that
28. express
29. wish

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