

## Fill in the gaps

Dead in the water
It's not a paid vacation
The sons and daughters
Of (1) officials attend demonstration
It's hardly a sink or swim
When all is well if the ticket sells
Out with a whimper
It's not a (2) of glory
You look down from 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 (3) there
And all I need's a great big:
Congratulations
I'll keep your dreams

You pay (4) for me	
As strange as it seems	
I'd (5) dissolve than (6) you ig	nore
me	
The ground may be moving fast	
But I tied my boots to a (7) mast	
The difference is clear	
You throw it in your cauldron	
Rust and veneer	
Dusk and dawn Steinways and Baldwins	
You start with a simple stock of all the waste	
And (8) to taste	
But damn my luck and damn these friends	
That keep on combing back their smiles	
I save my grace with half-assed guilt	
And lay down the (9) upon the lawn	
Spread my arms and soak up:	
Congratulations	



- 1. city
- 2. blaze
- 3. really
- 4. attention
- 5. rather
- 6. have
- 7. broken
- 8. salt
- 9. quilt

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