



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a (1)\_\_\_\_\_ summer's evenin',  
On a (2)\_\_\_\_\_ bound for nowhere  
I met up with the gambler.  
We were both too tired to sleep.  
So we took turns a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When boredom (3)\_\_\_\_\_ us,  
He began to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've made my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' (4)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 your whiskey,  
I'll give you (7)\_\_\_\_\_ advice.'  
So I (8)\_\_\_\_\_ him my bottle,  
and he drank down my (9)\_\_\_\_\_ swallow.  
Then he bummed a cigarette  
And (10)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (11)\_\_\_\_\_ to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You (12)\_\_\_\_\_ count (13)\_\_\_\_\_ money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be (14)\_\_\_\_\_ enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now every gambler knows

The secret to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to throw away  
And knowin' (15)\_\_\_\_\_ to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And (16)\_\_\_\_\_ hand's a loser  
And the (17)\_\_\_\_\_ you can hope for  
Is to die in (18)\_\_\_\_\_ sleep.'  
And when he finished speakin',  
He turned back toward the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And faded off to sleep.  
And (19)\_\_\_\_\_ in the darkness,  
The gambler he broke even.  
And in his final (20)\_\_\_\_\_ I found  
An ace that I (21)\_\_\_\_\_ keep.  
You've got to know  
When to (22)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em,  
Know (23)\_\_\_\_\_ to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know (24)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You never count (25)\_\_\_\_\_ money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know (26)\_\_\_\_\_ to fold 'em  
Know when to (27)\_\_\_\_\_ away,  
Know when to run.  
You never count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



**Fill in the gaps**

**Answer**

1. warm
2. train
3. overtook
4. what
5. held
6. mind
7. some
8. handed
9. last
10. asked
11. learn
12. never
13. your
14. time
15. what
16. every
17. best
18. your
19. somewhere
20. words
21. could
22. hold
23. when
24. when
25. your
26. when
27. walk