



## Fill in the gaps

### 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)\_\_\_\_\_ (2)\_\_\_\_\_ a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When boredom overtook us,  
He began 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 held their eyes.  
So if you don't mind my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a taste of your whiskey,  
I'll give you (3)\_\_\_\_\_ advice.'  
So I (4)\_\_\_\_\_ him my bottle,  
and he (5)\_\_\_\_\_ (6)\_\_\_\_\_ my last swallow.  
Then he bummed a cigarette  
And asked me for a light.  
And the (7)\_\_\_\_\_ got deathly quiet,  
And his face lost all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're (8)\_\_\_\_\_ play the game, boy,  
You gotta learn to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know (9)\_\_\_\_\_ to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You (10)\_\_\_\_\_ count (11)\_\_\_\_\_ money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now every gambler knows

The secret to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to throw away  
And knowin' what to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And every hand's a loser  
And the (12)\_\_\_\_\_ you can hope for  
Is to die in (13)\_\_\_\_\_ sleep.'  
And when he (14)\_\_\_\_\_ speakin',  
He turned back (15)\_\_\_\_\_ the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And (16)\_\_\_\_\_ off to sleep.  
And somewhere in the darkness,  
The gambler he broke even.  
And in his (17)\_\_\_\_\_ words I found  
An ace that I (18)\_\_\_\_\_ keep.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to (19)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em  
Know (20)\_\_\_\_\_ to (21)\_\_\_\_\_ away,  
Know (22)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You never count (23)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 when to fold 'em  
Know when to (24)\_\_\_\_\_ away,  
Know (25)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You never count (26)\_\_\_\_\_ money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be (27)\_\_\_\_\_ enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



Answer

1. took
2. turns
3. some
4. handed
5. drank
6. down
7. night
8. gonna
9. when
10. never
11. your
12. best
13. your
14. finished
15. toward
16. faded
17. final
18. could
19. fold
20. when
21. walk
22. when
23. your
24. walk
25. when
26. your
27. time

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