



## Fill in the gaps

### Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma mama had me

Seventeen years old kicked out on the streets

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

Ain't a woman alive that could (1)\_\_\_\_\_ my mama's place

Suspended from school and scared to go home, I was a fool

With the big boys, breakin' all the rules

I shed tears (2)\_\_\_\_\_ my (3)\_\_\_\_\_ sister

Over the years we was poorer than the other little kids

And (4)\_\_\_\_\_ though we had different daddy's, the same drama

When things went wrong we'd blame mama

I (5)\_\_\_\_\_ on the stress 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 (7)\_\_\_\_\_ was a black queen, mama

I finally understand for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise a man you always was committed

A poor single mother on welfare, (8)\_\_\_\_\_ me how ya did it

There's no way I can pay you back

But the plan is to show you that I understand you are appreciated



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Lady, don't cha know we love ya? (9)\_\_\_\_\_ lady

Dear mama, place no one above ya, sweet lady

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

Now ain't nobody (10)\_\_\_\_\_ us it was fair

No love from my daddy 'cause the (11)\_\_\_\_\_ wasn't there

He (12)\_\_\_\_\_ away and I didn't cry, cause my anger

Wouldn't let me feel for a stranger

They say I'm (13)\_\_\_\_\_ and I'm heartless, but all along

I was lookin' for a father he was gone

I (14)\_\_\_\_\_ around with the Thugs, and even though they (15)\_\_\_\_\_ drugs

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

I moved out and started really hangin'

I needed money of my own so I (17)\_\_\_\_\_ shaggin'

I ain't guilty 'cause, even though I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

I love payin' rent (18)\_\_\_\_\_ the rent's due

I hope ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you

'Cause when I was low you was there for me

And never left me alone because you cared for me

And I could see you comin' home after work late

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

Ya just workin' with the (19)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (20)\_\_\_\_\_ own

And there's no way I can pay you back

But my plan is to (21)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (22)\_\_\_\_\_ the drama

I can always depend on my mama

And when it seems that I'm hopeless

You say the words that can get me back in focus

When I was sick as a little 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 (23)\_\_\_\_\_ you did for me

And even though I act crazy

I (24)\_\_\_\_\_ (25)\_\_\_\_\_ the Lord that you (26)\_\_\_\_\_ me

There are no words that can express 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 (27)\_\_\_\_\_ me

I wish I could (28)\_\_\_\_\_ the pain away

If you can make it (29)\_\_\_\_\_ 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



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### Answer

1. take
2. with
3. baby
4. even
5. reminisce
6. from
7. always
8. tell
9. Sweet
10. tell
11. coward
12. passed
13. wrong
14. hung
15. sold
16. young
17. started
18. when
19. scraps
20. your
21. show
22. through
23. things
24. gotta
25. thank
26. made
27. gave
28. take
29. through