

## Fill in the gaps

Dead in the water	
It's not a paid vacation	
The sons and daughters	
Of city officials attend demonstrations	
It's hardly a (1) o	or swim
When all is well if the ticket sells	
Out with a whimper	
It's not a blaze 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 hea	ard
But I've got (2)	to make reports
That tell me how my money's spent	
To (3) my stays and draw my plans	
So I can't tell what's really there	
And all I need's a great big:	
Congratulations	
I'll keep your dreams	

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



- 1. sink
- 2. someone
- 3. book
- 4. ignore
- 5. moving
- 6. your
- 7. combing
- 8. quilt
- 9. soak

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