



Fill in the gaps

Hurricane by Bob Dylan

Pistol shots ring out in the barroom night

Enter (1)_____ Valentine from the upper hall.

She sees the bartender in a pool of blood,

Cries out, 'My God, they've (2)_____ them all!'

Here comes the story of the Hurricane,

The man the (3)_____ came to blame

For somethin' that he never done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The champion of the world.

Three (4)_____ lyin' there does Patty see

And another man named Bello, movin' around mysteriously.

'I didn't do it,' he says, and he throws up his hands

'I was only robbin' the register, I hope you understand.

I saw them leavin',' he says, and he stops

'One of us had better call up the cops.'

And so Patty calls the cops

And they arrive on the scene with their red lights flashin'

In the hot New Jersey night.

Meanwhile, far away in another part of town

Rubin Carter and a couple of friends are drivin' around.

Number one contender for the middleweight crown

Had no idea what kinda shit was about to go down

When a cop (5)_____ him over to the side of the road

Just like the time (6)_____ and the time before that.

In Paterson that's just the way things go.

If you're black you might as well not show up on the street

'Less you wanna draw the heat.

Alfred (7)_____ had a partner and he had a rap for the cops.

Him and (8)_____ Dexter Bradley were just out prowlin' around



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He said, 'I saw two men runnin' out, (9)_____ looked (10)_____ middleweights

They jumped into a white car with out-of-state plates.'

And Miss Patty (11)_____ just nodded her head.

Cop said, 'Wait a minute, boys, this one's not dead'

So (12)_____ (13)_____ him to the infirmary

And though this man could (14)_____ see

They told him that he could identify the (15)_____ men.

Four in the mornin' and they haul (16)_____ in,

Take him to the hospital and they bring him upstairs.

The wounded man looks up through his one dyin' eye

Says, 'Wha'd you bring him in here for? He ain't the guy!'

Yes, here's the story of the Hurricane,

The man the (17)_____ came to blame

For somethin' that he never done.

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The champion of the world.

Four months later, the ghettos are in flame,

Rubin's in South America, fightin' for his name

While Arthur Dexter Bradley's still in the robbery game

And the cops are puttin' the screws to him, lookin' for somebody to blame.

'Remember that murder that happened in a bar?'

'Remember you said you saw the getaway car?'

'You think you'd like to play ball with the law?'

'Think it might-a been that fighter that you saw runnin' that night?'

'Don't forget that you are white.'

Arthur Dexter Bradley said, 'I'm really not sure.'

Cops said, 'A poor boy like you could use a break

We got you for the motel job and we're talkin' to (18)_____ friend Bello

Now you don't wanta have to go back to jail, be a (19)_____ fellow.

You'll be doin' society a favor.



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That sonofabitch is brave and gettin' braver.

We (20)_____ to put his ass in stir

We want to pin this triple murder on him

He ain't no Gentleman Jim.'

Rubin could take a man out with just one punch

But he never did like to talk about it all that much.

It's my work, he'd say, and I do it for pay

And when it's over I'd just as soon go on my way

Up to some paradise

Where the trout streams flow and the air is nice

And ride a horse (21)_____ a trail.

But then they took him to the (22)_____ house

Where they try to turn a man into a mouse.

All of Rubin's cards were marked in advance

The trial was a pig-circus, he never had a chance.

The judge made Rubin's witnesses drunkards from the slums

To the white folks who watched he was a revolutionary bum

And to the black folks he was just a crazy nigger.

No one doubted that he pulled the trigger.

And though they could not produce the gun,

The D.A. said he was the one who did the deed

And the all-white jury agreed.

Rubin Carter was falsely tried.

The crime was murder 'one,' guess who testified?

Bello and Bradley and they both baldly lied

And the newspapers, they all (23)_____ along for the ride.

How can the life of such a man

Be in the palm of some fool's hand?

To see him obviously framed

Couldn't help but make me feel ashamed to live in a land



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Where justice is a game.

Now all the criminals in (24)_____ (25)_____ and their ties

Are free to drink (26)_____ and watch the sun rise

While Rubin sits like Buddha in a ten-foot cell

An innocent man in a living hell.

That's the (27)_____ of the Hurricane,

But it won't be over till they clear his name

And give him back the time he's done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The (28)_____ of the world.



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Answer

1. Patty
2. killed
3. authorities
4. bodies
5. pulled
6. before
7. Bello
8. Arthur
9. they
10. like
11. Valentine
12. they
13. took
14. hardly
15. guilty
16. Rubin
17. authorities
18. your
19. nice
20. want
21. along
22. jail
23. went
24. their
25. coats
26. martinis
27. story
28. champion