



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 take my mama's place

Suspended (1)_____ school and (2)_____ to go home, I was a fool

With the big boys, breakin' all the rules

I shed tears with my (3)_____ sister

Over the years we was poorer than the other little kids

And even though we had different daddy's, the same drama

When things went wrong we'd (4)_____ mama

I reminisce on the stress I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama from 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 always was a black queen, mama

I (5)_____ understand for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise a man you always was committed

A poor single mother on welfare, tell 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? Sweet lady

Dear mama, place no one above ya, sweet lady

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

Now ain't nobody tell us it was fair

No love from my daddy 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed away and I didn't cry, cause my anger

Wouldn't let me feel for a stranger

They say I'm (6)_____ and I'm heartless, but all along

I was lookin' for a father he was gone

I hung around (7)_____ the Thugs, and even though they sold drugs

They showed a young brother love

I moved out and started really hangin'

I needed money of my own so I started shaggin'

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

It feels good puttin' (8)_____ in (9)_____ mailbox

I love payin' rent when the rent's due

I (10)_____ ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you

'Cause when I was low you was there for me

And never (11)_____ 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 (12)_____ workin' with the scraps 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 your own

And there's no way I can pay you back

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

Lady, don't cha know we love ya? Sweet lady

And dear mama (13)_____ no one above ya, sweet lady

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

Pour out some liquor and I reminisce, 'cause through the drama

I can (14)_____ depend on my mama

And when it seems that I'm hopeless

You say the words (15)_____ can get me back in focus

When I was sick as a little kid

To keep me happy there's no (16)_____ to the things you did

And all my childhood memories

Are full of all the (17)_____ things you did for me

And even (18)_____ I act crazy

I (19)_____ thank the Lord that you made 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 gave me

I wish I could take the pain away

If you can make it through the night there's a brighter day

Everything will be (20)_____ if ya hold on

It's a struggle everyday, gotta roll on



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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 (22)_____ ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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Answer

1. from
2. scared
3. baby
4. blame
5. finally
6. wrong
7. with
8. money
9. your
10. hope
11. left
12. just
13. place
14. always
15. that
16. limit
17. sweet
18. though
19. gotta
20. alright
21. show
22. love