

Dead in the water It's not a paid vacation The sons and daughters Of city officials attend demonstrations It's hardly a (1)_____ or swim When all is (2)_____ if the ticket sells Out (3)_____ a whimper It's not a blaze of glory You look down from your temple As people endeavor to (4)_____ it a story And chisel a marble word But all is lost if it's never heard But I've got someone to make reports That (5)_____ me how my money's spent To book my stays and (6)_____ my plans So I can't tell what's really there And all I need's a great big: Congratulations

I'll keep (7)____ dreams

Fill in the gaps

You pay attention for me
As strange as it seems
I'd rather dissolve than have you ignore me
The ground may be moving fast
But I (8) my boots to a broken mast
The difference is clear
You throw it in (9) 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 combing (10) their smile:
I save my grace with half-assed guilt
And lay down the quilt upon the lawn
Spread my arms and soak up:
Congratulations



- 1. sink
- 2. well
- 3. with
- 4. make
- 5. tell
- 6. draw
- 7. your
- 8. tied
- 9. your
- 10. back

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