



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',  
On a (1)\_\_\_\_\_ bound for nowhere  
I met up with the gambler.  
We were both too (2)\_\_\_\_\_ to sleep.  
So we took turns a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When boredom (3)\_\_\_\_\_ us,  
He began to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've made my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' what the cards were  
By the way (4)\_\_\_\_\_ held (5)\_\_\_\_\_ eyes.  
So if you don't mind my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a (6)\_\_\_\_\_ of your whiskey,  
I'll give you some advice.'  
So I handed him my bottle,  
and he drank down my last swallow.  
Then he (7)\_\_\_\_\_ a cigarette  
And asked me for a light.  
And the night got deathly quiet,  
And his face lost all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're gonna (8)\_\_\_\_\_ the game, boy,  
You (9)\_\_\_\_\_ learn to (10)\_\_\_\_\_ it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know (11)\_\_\_\_\_ to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never count (12)\_\_\_\_\_ money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now every gambler knows

The (13)\_\_\_\_\_ to survivin'  
Is knowin' (14)\_\_\_\_\_ to (15)\_\_\_\_\_ away  
And knowin' what to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And every hand's a loser  
And the (16)\_\_\_\_\_ you can (17)\_\_\_\_\_ for  
Is to die in your sleep.'  
And (18)\_\_\_\_\_ he finished speakin',  
He turned back toward the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And faded off to sleep.  
And somewhere in the darkness,  
The gambler he (19)\_\_\_\_\_ even.  
And in his (20)\_\_\_\_\_ words I found  
An ace that I could keep.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to (21)\_\_\_\_\_ away,  
Know when to run.  
You never (22)\_\_\_\_\_ your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to (23)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You (24)\_\_\_\_\_ (25)\_\_\_\_\_ your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



**Fill in the gaps**

**Answer**

1. train
2. tired
3. overtook
4. they
5. their
6. taste
7. bummed
8. play
9. gotta
10. play
11. when
12. your
13. secret
14. what
15. throw
16. best
17. hope
18. when
19. broke
20. final
21. walk
22. count
23. fold
24. never
25. count