



Fill in the gaps

The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',
On a train (1)_____ for nowhere
I met up with the gambler.
We were both too (2)_____ to sleep.
So we (3)_____ turns a-starin'
Out the window at the darkness.
When boredom overtook us,
He began to speak.
He said, 'Son, I've made my life
Out of readin' people's faces.
Knowin' what the (4)_____ were
By the way (5)_____ held their eyes.
So if you don't mind my sayin',
I can see you're out of aces,
For a taste of your whiskey,
I'll give you some advice.'
So I (6)_____ him my bottle,
and he drank (7)_____ my (8)_____ swallow.
Then he bummed a cigarette
And asked me for a light.
And the night got (9)_____ quiet,
And his face lost all expression.
He said, 'If
You're gonna play the game, boy,
You gotta learn to play it right.'
You've got to know
When to (10)_____ 'em,
Know when to fold 'em
Know when to walk away,
Know when to run.
You never (11)_____ your 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 secret to survivin'
Is knowin' (12)_____ to throw away
And knowin' what to keep.
'Cause (13)_____ hand's a winner
And (14)_____ hand's a loser
And the best you can hope for
Is to die in your sleep.'
And (15)_____ he finished speakin',
He turned (16)_____ toward the window,
Crushed out his cigarette
And faded off to sleep.
And somewhere in the darkness,
The gambler he broke even.
And in his (17)_____ words I found
An ace that I could keep.
You've got to know
When to hold 'em,
Know (18)_____ to fold 'em
Know when to walk away,
Know (19)_____ to run.
You never count (20)_____ money
When you're sittin' at the table.
There'll be time (21)_____ for countin'
When the dealin's done.
You've got to know
When to hold 'em,
Know when to (22)_____ 'em
Know when to walk away,
Know when to run.
You never (23)_____ your money
When you're sittin' at the table.
There'll be time enough for countin'
When the dealin's done.



Answer

1. bound
2. tired
3. took
4. cards
5. they
6. handed
7. down
8. last
9. deathly
10. hold
11. count
12. what
13. every
14. every
15. when
16. back
17. final
18. when
19. when
20. your
21. enough
22. fold
23. count

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