

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma (1) 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 from school and scared to go home, I was a fool			
With the big boys, breakin' all the rules			
I shed tears with my baby 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 blame 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 finally understand for a woman it ain't easy			
Tryin' to raise a man you always was committed			
A poor (2) 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 (3) I understand you are appreciated			

CIP!

Fill in the gaps

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Lady, don't cha know we love ya? (4) lady				
Dear mama, place no one above ya, sweet lady				
You are appreciated, don't cha know we love ya?				
Now ain't nobody (5) 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 wrong and I'm heartless, but all along				
I was lookin' for a father he was gone				
I hung around with 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 (6) rocks				
It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox				
I love payin' rent when the rent's due				
I hope ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you				
'Cause when I was low you was there for me				
And never left 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 just workin' with the scraps you was given				
And mama made miracles every thanksgivin'				

But now the road got rough, here alone

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 place 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 always depend on my mama And when it seems that I'm hopeless You say the words that can get me back in focus When I was sick as a little kid To keep me happy there's no limit to the things you did And all my childhood memories Are full of all the sweet things you did for me And even though I act crazy I (7)_____ thank the Lord (8)____ 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 alright if ya hold on

It's a struggle everyday, gotta roll on



But my (9)	is to show you that I (10)	you are appreciated
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And dear mama place	e no one above ya, sweet lady	
You are appreciated,	don't cha know we love ya?	
Sweet lady, and dear	mama	
Dear mama, lady, lad	ly, lady	



- 1. mama
- 2. single
- 3. that
- 4. Sweet
- 5. tell
- 6. sell
- 7. gotta
- 8. that
- 9. plan
- 10. understand