

## Fill in the gaps

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

You pay (4)	for me	
As (5) as it	seems	
I'd rather dissolve than have you ignore me		
The ground may be moving fas	st	
But I tied my boots to a broken mast		
The difference is clear		
You throw it in (6) o	auldron	
Rust and veneer		
Dusk and dawn (7)	and Baldwins	
You start with a simple stock of all the waste		
And salt to taste		
But damn my luck and damn th	nese friends	
That keep on combing back the	eir smiles	
I (8) my grace with	half-assed guilt	
And lay down the quilt upon the lawn		
Spread my arms and soak up:		
Congratulations		



- 1. paid
- 2. someone
- 3. great
- 4. attention
- 5. strange
- 6. your
- 7. Steinways
- 8. save

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