



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a (1)\_\_\_\_\_ summer's evenin',  
On a train bound for nowhere  
I met up with the gambler.  
We were both too tired to sleep.  
So we took turns a-starin'  
Out the (2)\_\_\_\_\_ at the darkness.  
When boredom (3)\_\_\_\_\_ us,  
He began to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've (4)\_\_\_\_\_ my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' what the cards 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 (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 (8)\_\_\_\_\_ quiet,  
And his (9)\_\_\_\_\_ lost all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're (10)\_\_\_\_\_ play the game, boy,  
You gotta learn to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know (11)\_\_\_\_\_ 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' what to throw away  
And knowin' what to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And every hand's a loser  
And the best you can (14)\_\_\_\_\_ for  
Is to die in (15)\_\_\_\_\_ sleep.'  
And when he finished speakin',  
He (16)\_\_\_\_\_ back toward the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And faded off to sleep.  
And somewhere in the darkness,  
The (17)\_\_\_\_\_ he broke even.  
And in his (18)\_\_\_\_\_ words I found  
An ace that I could keep.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know (19)\_\_\_\_\_ to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You (20)\_\_\_\_\_ count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be (21)\_\_\_\_\_ (22)\_\_\_\_\_ for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You (23)\_\_\_\_\_ count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be (24)\_\_\_\_\_ enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



**Fill in the gaps**

**Answer**

1. warm
2. window
3. overtook
4. made
5. they
6. taste
7. bummed
8. deathly
9. face
10. gonna
11. when
12. your
13. secret
14. hope
15. your
16. turned
17. gambler
18. final
19. when
20. never
21. time
22. enough
23. never
24. time