



## Fill in the gaps

### Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma mama 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 (1)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (2)\_\_\_\_\_ tears with my baby sister

Over the years we was poorer (3)\_\_\_\_\_ the other little kids

And even (4)\_\_\_\_\_ we had (5)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (6)\_\_\_\_\_ a jail cell and (7)\_\_\_\_\_ (8)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (9)\_\_\_\_\_ queen, mama

I finally understand for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise a man you (10)\_\_\_\_\_ was committed

A poor single 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 that I understand you are appreciated



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Lady, don't cha know we love ya? Sweet lady

Dear mama, place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we (11)\_\_\_\_\_ ya?

Now ain't nobody (12)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (13)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (14)\_\_\_\_\_ 'cause, even though I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

I (15)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (16)\_\_\_\_\_ 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



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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 (17)\_\_\_\_\_ we love ya? (18)\_\_\_\_\_ lady

And dear mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we love ya?

Pour out some (19)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (20)\_\_\_\_\_ you did

And all my (21)\_\_\_\_\_ memories

Are full of all the sweet (22)\_\_\_\_\_ you did for me

And even (23)\_\_\_\_\_ I act crazy

I gotta thank the (24)\_\_\_\_\_ that 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 (25)\_\_\_\_\_ on

It's a struggle everyday, (26)\_\_\_\_\_ roll on



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But my plan is to show you that I (27)\_\_\_\_\_ you are appreciated

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And dear mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we love ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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### Answer

1. take
2. shed
3. than
4. though
5. different
6. from
7. high
8. school
9. black
10. always
11. love
12. tell
13. they
14. guilty
15. love
16. alone
17. know
18. Sweet
19. liquor
20. things
21. childhood
22. things
23. though
24. Lord
25. hold
26. gotta
27. understand