



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 (1)_____ I'd see her face

Ain't a woman alive that could (2)_____ 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 (3)_____ tears (4)_____ 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 (5)_____ 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 (6)_____ ya? Sweet lady

Dear mama, place no one above ya, sweet lady

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

Now ain't (7)_____ tell us it was fair

No love from my daddy 'cause the (8)_____ 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 (9)_____ (10)_____ sold drugs

They showed a (11)_____ brother love

I moved out and started really hangin'

I needed (12)_____ of my own so I started shaggin'

I ain't guilty 'cause, even though I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

I love payin' rent when the rent's due

I (13)_____ ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you

'Cause (14)_____ 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 (15)_____ workin' with the scraps you was given

And mama made miracles (16)_____ 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 know we love ya? Sweet lady

And (17)_____ mama place no one (18)_____ 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 (19)_____ it seems that I'm hopeless

You say the words (20)_____ 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 (21)_____ you did for me

And even though I act crazy

I gotta (22)_____ the Lord 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 (23)_____ I (24)_____ 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



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And there's no way I can pay you back

But my plan is to (25)_____ you that I understand you are appreciated

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

And dear mama (26)_____ 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. thought
2. take
3. shed
4. with
5. always
6. love
7. nobody
8. coward
9. though
10. they
11. young
12. money
13. hope
14. when
15. just
16. every
17. dear
18. above
19. when
20. that
21. things
22. thank
23. wish
24. could
25. show
26. place