



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a (1)\_\_\_\_\_ summer's evenin',  
On a train bound for nowhere  
I met up (2)\_\_\_\_\_ the gambler.  
We (3)\_\_\_\_\_ both too tired to sleep.  
So we took turns a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When (4)\_\_\_\_\_ (5)\_\_\_\_\_ us,  
He (6)\_\_\_\_\_ to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've made my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' what the cards were  
By the way (7)\_\_\_\_\_ (8)\_\_\_\_\_ (9)\_\_\_\_\_ eyes.  
So if you don't (10)\_\_\_\_\_ my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a taste of (11)\_\_\_\_\_ whiskey,  
I'll give you some advice.'  
So I handed him my bottle,  
and he drank down my last swallow.  
Then he bummed a cigarette  
And (12)\_\_\_\_\_ me for a light.  
And the night got (13)\_\_\_\_\_ quiet,  
And his face (14)\_\_\_\_\_ all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're gonna play the game, boy,  
You gotta learn to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to (15)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time (16)\_\_\_\_\_ for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now every gambler knows

The (17)\_\_\_\_\_ to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to (18)\_\_\_\_\_ away  
And knowin' what to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And every hand's a loser  
And the best you can hope for  
Is to die in your sleep.'  
And when he finished speakin',  
He turned (19)\_\_\_\_\_ toward the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And (20)\_\_\_\_\_ off to sleep.  
And somewhere in the darkness,  
The gambler he broke even.  
And in his final words I found  
An ace (21)\_\_\_\_\_ I could keep.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know (22)\_\_\_\_\_ to walk away,  
Know (23)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You never count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
You've got to know  
When to (24)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to (25)\_\_\_\_\_ away,  
Know when to run.  
You never (26)\_\_\_\_\_ your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



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### Answer

1. warm
2. with
3. were
4. boredom
5. overtook
6. began
7. they
8. held
9. their
10. mind
11. your
12. asked
13. deathly
14. lost
15. fold
16. enough
17. secret
18. throw
19. back
20. faded
21. that
22. when
23. when
24. hold
25. walk
26. count