



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a (1)\_\_\_\_\_ summer's evenin',  
On a (2)\_\_\_\_\_ bound for nowhere  
I met up with the gambler.  
We were both too tired to sleep.  
So we took (3)\_\_\_\_\_ a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When (4)\_\_\_\_\_ (5)\_\_\_\_\_ us,  
He began to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've made my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' what the cards were  
By the way they (6)\_\_\_\_\_ (7)\_\_\_\_\_ eyes.  
So if you don't mind my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a (8)\_\_\_\_\_ of (9)\_\_\_\_\_ whiskey,  
I'll give you some advice.'  
So I (10)\_\_\_\_\_ him my bottle,  
and he drank down my (11)\_\_\_\_\_ swallow.  
Then he (12)\_\_\_\_\_ a cigarette  
And asked me for a light.  
And the night got (13)\_\_\_\_\_ quiet,  
And his face lost all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're (14)\_\_\_\_\_ play the game, boy,  
You gotta learn to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to (15)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em,  
Know when to fold '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 enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now every gambler knows

The secret to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to throw away  
And knowin' (16)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (17)\_\_\_\_\_ sleep.'  
And when he (18)\_\_\_\_\_ speakin',  
He turned back toward the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And (19)\_\_\_\_\_ off to sleep.  
And somewhere in the darkness,  
The gambler he broke even.  
And in his (20)\_\_\_\_\_ words I found  
An ace that I (21)\_\_\_\_\_ keep.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to (22)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em  
Know (23)\_\_\_\_\_ to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never (24)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 hold 'em,  
Know when to fold '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 (25)\_\_\_\_\_ for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



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### Answer

1. warm
2. train
3. turns
4. boredom
5. overtook
6. held
7. their
8. taste
9. your
10. handed
11. last
12. bummed
13. deathly
14. gonna
15. hold
16. what
17. your
18. finished
19. faded
20. final
21. could
22. fold
23. when
24. count
25. enough