



Fill in the gaps

Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma mama had me

Seventeen years old (1)_____ out on the streets

Though back at the time, I never thought I'd see her face

Ain't a woman alive that could take 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 shed (2)_____ with my baby sister

Over the years we was poorer (3)_____ 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' (4)_____ 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 (5)_____ understand for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise a man you always was committed

A (6)_____ 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 love ya?

Now ain't nobody tell us it was fair

No love from my (7)_____ 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed away and I didn't cry, (8)_____ my anger

Wouldn't let me (9)_____ 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 they sold drugs

They showed a young brother love

I moved out and started (10)_____ hangin'

I needed money of my own so I started shaggin'

I ain't (11)_____ 'cause, even though I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

I love 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 alone because you cared for me

And I could see you comin' home after (12)_____ late

You're in the kitchen tryin' to fix us a hot plate

Ya (13)_____ workin' with the scraps you was given

And mama made miracles every thanksgivin'

But now the road got rough, (14)_____ 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 (15)_____ I understand you are appreciated

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

And (16)_____ mama place no one above 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 (17)_____ it seems that I'm hopeless

You say the words (18)_____ can get me back in focus

When I was sick as a little kid

To keep me happy there's no limit to the (19)_____ you did

And all my childhood memories

Are full of all the sweet things you did for me

And even though I act crazy

I gotta (20)_____ the Lord that you made me

There are no words that can express how I feel

You never (21)_____ a secret, always (22)_____ real

And I appreciate, how you raised me

And all the extra love that you gave me

I (23)_____ I could take the pain away

If you can make it through the night there's a brighter day

Everything will be (24)_____ if ya hold on

It's a (25)_____ everyday, (26)_____ roll on



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But my plan is to show you that I understand you are appreciated

Lady, don't cha know we (27)_____ ya? Sweet lady

And dear mama place no one (28)_____ ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha (29)_____ we love ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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Answer

1. kicked
2. tears
3. than
4. from
5. finally
6. poor
7. daddy
8. cause
9. feel
10. really
11. guilty
12. work
13. just
14. here
15. that
16. dear
17. when
18. that
19. things
20. thank
21. kept
22. stayed
23. wish
24. alright
25. struggle
26. gotta
27. love
28. above
29. know