



## 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 (1)\_\_\_\_\_ thought 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 shed tears with my baby sister

Over the years we was poorer than the other (3)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (4)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (5)\_\_\_\_\_ was a black queen, mama

I finally understand for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to (6)\_\_\_\_\_ a man you always was committed

A poor (7)\_\_\_\_\_ (8)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (9)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (10)\_\_\_\_\_ 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed (11)\_\_\_\_\_ and I didn't cry, cause my anger

Wouldn't let me (12)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (13)\_\_\_\_\_ around with the Thugs, and even though they 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 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 hope ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you

'Cause when I was low you was there for me

And (14)\_\_\_\_\_ left me alone because you cared for me

And I could see you comin' (15)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (16)\_\_\_\_\_ made miracles every thanksgivin'

But now the road got rough, here alone



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You're tryin' to (17)\_\_\_\_\_ two bad kids on your own

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

And dear 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 (18)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (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 kept a secret, always stayed real

And I appreciate, how you raised me

And all the extra love (21)\_\_\_\_\_ you gave me

I (22)\_\_\_\_\_ I could take the pain away

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

Everything will be (23)\_\_\_\_\_ if ya hold on

It's a struggle everyday, (24)\_\_\_\_\_ roll on



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Lady, don't cha (25)\_\_\_\_\_ we love ya? (26)\_\_\_\_\_ lady

And dear (27)\_\_\_\_\_ place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha (28)\_\_\_\_\_ we love ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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### Answer

1. never
2. take
3. little
4. mama
5. always
6. raise
7. single
8. mother
9. above
10. daddy
11. away
12. feel
13. hung
14. never
15. home
16. mama
17. raise
18. through
19. things
20. thank
21. that
22. wish
23. alright
24. gotta
25. know
26. Sweet
27. mama
28. know