

Dead in the water It's not a paid vacation The sons and daughters Of city officials attend demonstrations It's hardly a (1)_____ or swim When all is (2)_____ if the ticket sells Out with a whimper It's not a blaze of glory You look down from your temple As people endeavor to make it a story And chisel a marble word But all is lost if it's never heard But I've got someone to make reports That tell me how my money's spent To book my stays and draw my plans So I can't tell what's (3)_____ there And all I need's a (4)_____ big: Congratulations

I'll (5)_____ your dreams

Fill in the gaps

You pay attention for me	
As strange as it seems	
I'd rather dissolve than have you ignore me	
The ground may be moving fast	
But I tied my boots to a broken mast	
The difference is clear	
You (6) it in your cauldron	
Rust and veneer	
Dusk and dawn Steinways and Baldwins	
You start with a simple stock of all the waste	
And salt to taste	
But (7) my luck and damn these friends	
That keep on combing back (8) smile	s
I save my grace with half-assed guilt	
And lay down the quilt upon the lawn	
Spread my (9) and soak up:	
Congratulations	



1. sink

- 2. well
- 3. really
- 4. great
- 5. keep
- 6. throw
- 7. damn
- 8. their
- 9. arms

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