



Fill in the gaps

The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',
On a (1)_____ bound for nowhere
I met up with the gambler.
We were both too (2)_____ to sleep.
So we took (3)_____ a-starin'
Out the window at the darkness.
When boredom overtook us,
He (4)_____ to speak.
He said, 'Son, I've made my life
Out of readin' people's faces.
Knowin' (5)_____ the cards were
By the way they held (6)_____ eyes.
So if you don't mind my sayin',
I can see you're out of aces,
For a (7)_____ of your whiskey,
I'll give you (8)_____ advice.'
So I handed him my bottle,
and he (9)_____ down my (10)_____ swallow.
Then he (11)_____ a cigarette
And asked me for a light.
And the (12)_____ got (13)_____ quiet,
And his face lost 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 (14)_____ 'em,
Know when to (15)_____ 'em
Know when to walk away,
Know when to run.
You never (16)_____ your money
When you're sittin' at the table.
There'll be time (17)_____ for countin'
When the dealin's done.
Now every gambler knows

The secret to survivin'
Is knowin' what to throw away
And knowin' (18)_____ to keep.
'Cause every hand's a winner
And every hand's a loser
And the best you can (19)_____ for
Is to die in (20)_____ sleep.'
And when he finished speakin',
He turned back toward the window,
Crushed out his cigarette
And faded off to sleep.
And somewhere in the darkness,
The gambler he broke even.
And in his final words I found
An ace that I could keep.
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 (21)_____ 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 (22)_____ '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.



Answer

1. train
2. tired
3. turns
4. began
5. what
6. their
7. taste
8. some
9. drank
10. last
11. bummed
12. night
13. deathly
14. hold
15. fold
16. count
17. enough
18. what
19. hope
20. your
21. your
22. hold

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