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 (2)_____ too tired to sleep.

So we took turns a-starin'

Out the window at the darkness.

When boredom overtook us,

He began to speak.

He said, 'Son, I've (3)_____ my life

Out of readin' people's faces.

Knowin' (4)_____ the cards were

By the way they held (5)_____ eyes.

So if you don't mind my sayin',

I can see you're out of aces,

For a (6)_____ of your whiskey,

I'll give you some advice.'

So I handed him my bottle,

and he (7)_____ down my last swallow.

Then he bummed a cigarette

And asked me for a light.

And the (8)_____ got deathly quiet,

And his face lost all expression.

He said, 'If

You're gonna play the game, boy,

You gotta (9)_____ to play it right.'

You've got to know

When to hold 'em,

Know when to (10)_____ 'em

Know (11)_____ to walk away,

Know (12)_____ to run.

You never (13)_____ your money

When you're sittin' at the table.

There'll be (14)_____ enough for countin'

When the dealin's done.

Now every gambler knows

The secret to survivin'

Is knowin' what to throw away

And knowin' what to keep.

'Cause every hand's a winner

And (15)_____ hand's a loser

And the best you can hope for

Is to die in (16)_____ sleep.'

And when he finished speakin',

He turned (17)_____ toward the window,

Crushed out his cigarette

And (18)_____ off to sleep.

And (19)_____ in the darkness,

The gambler he (20)_____ even.

And in his final (21)_____ I found

An ace that I could keep.

You've got to know

When to hold 'em,

Know when to fold 'em

Know (22)_____ to walk away,

Know when to run.

You never count your money

When you're sittin' at the table.

There'll be (23)_____ enough for countin'

When the dealin's done.

You've got to know

When to hold 'em,

Know when to fold 'em

Know (24)_____ to walk away,

Know (25)_____ 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.

Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. train
2. both
3. made
4. what
5. their
6. taste
7. drank
8. night
9. learn
10. fold
11. when
12. when
13. count
14. time
15. every
16. your
17. back
18. faded
19. somewhere
20. broke
21. words
22. when
23. time
24. when
25. when