



## 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 (2)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (3)\_\_\_\_\_ with my baby sister

Over the (4)\_\_\_\_\_ we was poorer than the other little kids

And even though we had different daddy's, the same drama

When things (5)\_\_\_\_\_ (6)\_\_\_\_\_ we'd blame mama

I (7)\_\_\_\_\_ on the (8)\_\_\_\_\_ I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama from a (9)\_\_\_\_\_ cell and high school elementary?

Hey, I see the penitentiary, one day

And runnin' from the police, that's right

Mama (10)\_\_\_\_\_ me, put a whoopin' to my backside

And even as a crack theme, mama

You (11)\_\_\_\_\_ was a (12)\_\_\_\_\_ queen, mama

I finally understand for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise a man you always was committed

A poor 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 (13)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (14)\_\_\_\_\_ 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed away and I didn't cry, cause my anger

Wouldn't let me feel 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 (15)\_\_\_\_\_ 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' (16)\_\_\_\_\_ when the rent's due

I hope ya got the diamond (17)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 work late

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

Ya just workin' with the scraps you was given

And mama made (18)\_\_\_\_\_ every thanksgivin'

But now the (19)\_\_\_\_\_ got rough, (20)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (21)\_\_\_\_\_ I understand you are appreciated

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 (22)\_\_\_\_\_ we love ya?

Pour out some liquor and I reminisce, 'cause through 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 (23)\_\_\_\_\_ to the things 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 thank the Lord that you (24)\_\_\_\_\_ me

There are no words (25)\_\_\_\_\_ can (26)\_\_\_\_\_ how I feel

You never kept a secret, always stayed real

And I appreciate, how you raised me

And all the extra (27)\_\_\_\_\_ that you gave me

I wish I could take the pain away

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

Everything will be alright if ya hold on

It's a struggle everyday, gotta roll on



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And there's no way I can pay you back

But my plan is to (28)\_\_\_\_\_ you that I understand you are appreciated

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

And dear mama place no one above ya, (29)\_\_\_\_\_ lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know we love ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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### Answer

1. kicked
2. woman
3. tears
4. years
5. went
6. wrong
7. reminisce
8. stress
9. jail
10. catch
11. always
12. black
13. that
14. daddy
15. sold
16. rent
17. necklace
18. miracles
19. road
20. here
21. that
22. know
23. limit
24. made
25. that
26. express
27. love
28. show
29. sweet