

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 well if the ticket sells Out with a whimper It's not a (2)___ _____ of glory You look down from your temple As people endeavor to make it a story And chisel a (3)_____ 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 really there And all I need's a (4)_____ big: Congratulations I'll keep your dreams

Fill in the gaps

| You pay (5) for me |
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| As strange as it seems |
| I'd rather (6) 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 throw it in your cauldron |
| Rust and veneer |
| Dusk and dawn Steinways and Baldwins |
| You start with a simple (7) of all the waste |
| And salt to taste |
| But damn my luck and damn these friends |
| That keep on combing back their smiles |
| I save my grace with half-assed guilt |
| And lay down the (8) upon the lawn |
| Spread my arms and (9) up: |
| Congratulations |



1. sink

- 2. blaze
- 3. marble
- 4. great
- 5. attention
- 6. dissolve
- 7. stock
- 8. quilt
- 9. soak

Fill in the gaps

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