

## Fill in the gaps

Dead in the water
It's not a (1) vacation
The sons and daughters
Of city officials attend demonstrations
It's hardly a sink 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 (3) 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 (4) my (5) and draw my plans
So I can't tell what's really there
And all I need's a great big:
Congratulations
I'll keep your dreams

rou pay attention for me
As strange as it seems
'd (6) dissolve than have you ignore me
The ground may be moving fast
But I tied my boots to a broken mast
Γhe difference is clear
You throw it in your cauldron
Rust and veneer
Dusk and dawn Steinways and Baldwins
You start (7) a simple stock of all the waste
And salt to taste
But damn my luck and damn (8) friends
Γhat (9) on combing back their smiles
save my grace with half-assed guilt
And lay down the (10) upon the lawn
Spread my arms and soak up:
Congratulations



- 1. paid
- 2. blaze
- 3. make
- 4. book
- 5. stays
- 6. rather
- 7. with
- 8. these
- 9. keep
- 10. quilt

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