



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',  
On a train bound for nowhere  
I met up with the gambler.  
We were both too tired to sleep.  
So we took turns a-starin'  
Out the window at the darkness.  
When (1)\_\_\_\_\_ overtook us,  
He began to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've (2)\_\_\_\_\_ my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' what the cards were  
By the way they held their eyes.  
So if you don't (3)\_\_\_\_\_ my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a (4)\_\_\_\_\_ of your whiskey,  
I'll give you (5)\_\_\_\_\_ advice.'  
So I (6)\_\_\_\_\_ him my bottle,  
and he (7)\_\_\_\_\_ down my last swallow.  
Then he (8)\_\_\_\_\_ a cigarette  
And asked me for a light.  
And the night got (9)\_\_\_\_\_ quiet,  
And his face lost all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're (10)\_\_\_\_\_ play the game, boy,  
You (11)\_\_\_\_\_ learn to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to (12)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know (13)\_\_\_\_\_ to walk away,  
Know (14)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You (15)\_\_\_\_\_ count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now (16)\_\_\_\_\_ gambler knows

The secret to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to (17)\_\_\_\_\_ away  
And knowin' (18)\_\_\_\_\_ to keep.  
'Cause every hand's a winner  
And every hand's a loser  
And the best you can hope for  
Is to die in your sleep.'  
And when he finished speakin',  
He (19)\_\_\_\_\_ back (20)\_\_\_\_\_ the  
window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And (21)\_\_\_\_\_ off to sleep.  
And somewhere in the darkness,  
The gambler he (22)\_\_\_\_\_ even.  
And in his final (23)\_\_\_\_\_ I found  
An ace that I could keep.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know (24)\_\_\_\_\_ to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never (25)\_\_\_\_\_ your 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 hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never count (26)\_\_\_\_\_ money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time (27)\_\_\_\_\_ for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



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### Answer

1. boredom
2. made
3. mind
4. taste
5. some
6. handed
7. drank
8. bummed
9. deathly
10. gonna
11. gotta
12. hold
13. when
14. when
15. never
16. every
17. throw
18. what
19. turned
20. toward
21. faded
22. broke
23. words
24. when
25. count
26. your
27. enough