



Fill in the gaps

Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma (1)_____ had me

Seventeen years old kicked out on the streets

Though back at the time, I never thought I'd see her face

Ain't a woman (2)_____ 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 tears (3)_____ my baby sister

Over the years we was poorer (4)_____ the other little kids

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

When things went wrong we'd blame mama

I reminisce on the stress I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama from a jail (5)_____ and high school elementary?

Hey, I see the penitentiary, one day

And runnin' from the police, that's right

Mama (6)_____ me, put a whoopin' to my backside

And even as a (7)_____ theme, mama

You always was a black 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 that 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, (8)_____ lady

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

Now ain't nobody tell us it was fair

No love (9)_____ my daddy 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed (10)_____ 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 (11)_____ he was gone

I hung around with the Thugs, and even (12)_____ they sold drugs

They (13)_____ a young brother love

I moved out and (14)_____ 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' (15)_____ in your mailbox

I love payin' rent (16)_____ the rent's due

I hope ya got the (17)_____ necklace 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 (18)_____ 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 miracles every thanksgivin'

But now the road got rough, here alone



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You're tryin' to raise two bad kids on (19)_____ own

And there's no way I can pay you back

But my plan is to (20)_____ you that I understand you are appreciated

Lady, don't cha know we love ya? (21)_____ lady

And dear mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha know 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 (22)_____ as a little kid

To (23)_____ me happy there's no limit 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 (24)_____ you made me

There are no words that can (25)_____ how I feel

You never kept a secret, always stayed real

And I appreciate, how you raised me

And all the extra love that you gave me

I wish I could take the pain away

If you can make it (26)_____ 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 show you that I understand you are appreciated

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

And (27)_____ mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

You are appreciated, don't cha (28)_____ we love ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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Answer

1. mama
2. alive
3. with
4. than
5. cell
6. catch
7. crack
8. sweet
9. from
10. away
11. father
12. though
13. showed
14. started
15. money
16. when
17. diamond
18. after
19. your
20. show
21. Sweet
22. sick
23. keep
24. that
25. express
26. through
27. dear
28. know