



## Fill in the gaps

### Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma mama 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 alive that could (1)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 with my (2)\_\_\_\_\_ sister

Over the years we was poorer (3)\_\_\_\_\_ the other little kids

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

When things (4)\_\_\_\_\_ wrong we'd blame mama

I reminisce on the stress I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama from a jail cell and high school elementary?

Hey, I see the penitentiary, one day

And runnin' from the police, that's right

Mama catch me, put a whoopin' to my backside

And even as a crack theme, mama

You always was a (5)\_\_\_\_\_ 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, 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 daddy '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 (6)\_\_\_\_\_ with the Thugs, and even though (7)\_\_\_\_\_ (8)\_\_\_\_\_ drugs

They showed a young brother love

I (9)\_\_\_\_\_ out and (10)\_\_\_\_\_ 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' (11)\_\_\_\_\_ in (12)\_\_\_\_\_ mailbox

I love payin' rent when the rent's due

I hope ya got the diamond necklace that I sent to you

'Cause when I was low you was there for me

And never (13)\_\_\_\_\_ me alone because you cared for me

And I could see you comin' home after (14)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (15)\_\_\_\_\_ got rough, here alone



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You're tryin' to raise two bad (16)\_\_\_\_\_ on your own

And there's no way I can pay you back

But my (17)\_\_\_\_\_ is to show you that I understand you are appreciated

Lady, don't cha (18)\_\_\_\_\_ we love ya? (19)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (20)\_\_\_\_\_ depend on my mama

And when it seems that I'm hopeless

You say the (21)\_\_\_\_\_ that can get me back in focus

When I was sick as a little kid

To keep 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 (22)\_\_\_\_\_ thank the Lord that you made me

There are no (23)\_\_\_\_\_ that can express how I feel

You never kept a secret, (24)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 through the night there's a (25)\_\_\_\_\_ day

Everything will be (26)\_\_\_\_\_ if ya hold on

It's a struggle everyday, (27)\_\_\_\_\_ (28)\_\_\_\_\_ on



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And dear mama place no one above ya, sweet 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. take
2. baby
3. than
4. went
5. black
6. around
7. they
8. sold
9. moved
10. started
11. money
12. your
13. left
14. work
15. road
16. kids
17. plan
18. know
19. Sweet
20. always
21. words
22. gotta
23. words
24. always
25. brighter
26. alright
27. gotta
28. roll
29. show
30. know