



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 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 with my baby sister

Over the years we was poorer than the other little kids

And (1)_____ though we had different daddy's, the same drama

When things went wrong we'd blame mama

I (2)_____ 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' (3)_____ 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 black queen, mama

I finally understand for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise a man you (4)_____ was committed

A (5)_____ (6)_____ mother on welfare, (7)_____ me how ya did it

There's no way I can pay you back

But the (8)_____ is to show you that I understand you are appreciated



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Lady, don't cha know we love ya? (9)_____ lady

Dear mama, place no one above ya, (10)_____ lady

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

Now ain't nobody tell us it was fair

No love from my (11)_____ 'cause the (12)_____ 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 (13)_____ and I'm heartless, but all along

I was lookin' for a father he was gone

I hung (14)_____ with the Thugs, and even though they sold drugs

They showed a young brother love

I moved out and started really hangin'

I needed money of my own so I started shaggin'

I ain't guilty 'cause, even (15)_____ I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

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

I (17)_____ ya got the diamond 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 after 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 (18)_____ got rough, (19)_____ alone



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You're tryin' to raise two bad kids on your own

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 dear mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

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

Pour out (20)_____ 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 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 (21)_____ you did for me

And even though I act crazy

I gotta thank the Lord that you made me

There are no words that can express how I feel

You never kept a secret, always stayed real

And I appreciate, how you raised me

And all the extra love (22)_____ you gave me

I wish I could (23)_____ the pain away

If you can (24)_____ it through 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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Lady, don't cha (25)_____ we love ya? Sweet lady

And dear mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

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

Sweet lady, and (26)_____ mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



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Answer

1. even
2. reminisce
3. from
4. always
5. poor
6. single
7. tell
8. plan
9. Sweet
10. sweet
11. daddy
12. coward
13. wrong
14. around
15. though
16. rent
17. hope
18. road
19. here
20. some
21. things
22. that
23. take
24. make
25. know
26. dear