



Fill in the gaps

Dear Mama by 2pac

You are appreciated

When I was a youngin' and ma mama had me

Seventeen (1)_____ old kicked out on the streets

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

Ain't a (2)_____ 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 (3)_____ kids

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

When things (4)_____ wrong we'd blame mama

I (5)_____ on the stress I caused, it was hell

Huggin' on my mama (6)_____ a jail cell and high (7)_____ elementary?

Hey, I see the penitentiary, one day

And runnin' (8)_____ 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 (9)_____ 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 (10)_____ we love ya?

Now ain't (11)_____ tell us it was fair

No love from my daddy 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed away and I didn't cry, (12)_____ 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 around with the Thugs, and even though (13)_____ 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 (14)_____ I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in your mailbox

I (15)_____ payin' (16)_____ 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 left me (17)_____ because you (18)_____ 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 road got rough, here 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 (19)_____ you that I (20)_____ you are appreciated

Lady, don't cha know we (21)_____ ya? (22)_____ lady

And dear mama place no one above ya, sweet lady

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

Pour out (23)_____ (24)_____ and I reminisce, 'cause through the drama

I can always (25)_____ 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 things 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 that you gave me

I (26)_____ I could take the pain away

If you can make it through the (27)_____ there's a brighter day

Everything will be alright if ya (28)_____ on

It's a struggle everyday, gotta roll on



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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. years
2. woman
3. little
4. went
5. reminisce
6. from
7. school
8. from
9. woman
10. know
11. nobody
12. cause
13. they
14. though
15. love
16. rent
17. alone
18. cared
19. show
20. understand
21. love
22. Sweet
23. some
24. liquor
25. depend
26. wish
27. night
28. hold