



## 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 (1)\_\_\_\_\_ alive (2)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (3)\_\_\_\_\_ (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 (5)\_\_\_\_\_ from a jail (6)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 black queen, mama

I finally understand for a (7)\_\_\_\_\_ it ain't easy

Tryin' to raise a man you always was committed

A poor (8)\_\_\_\_\_ mother on welfare, tell me how ya did it

There's no way I can pay you back

But the plan is to (9)\_\_\_\_\_ you that I understand you are appreciated



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Lady, don't cha (10)\_\_\_\_\_ we love ya? Sweet lady

Dear mama, place no one above ya, (11)\_\_\_\_\_ lady

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

Now ain't nobody tell us it was fair

No (12)\_\_\_\_\_ from my (13)\_\_\_\_\_ 'cause the coward wasn't there

He passed away and I didn't cry, (14)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (15)\_\_\_\_\_ he was gone

I hung around with the Thugs, and even though they sold drugs

They showed a young brother love

I moved out and started (16)\_\_\_\_\_ hangin'

I needed (17)\_\_\_\_\_ of my own so I started shaggin'

I ain't guilty 'cause, even though I sell rocks

It feels (18)\_\_\_\_\_ puttin' money in your mailbox

I love payin' rent when the rent's due

I hope ya got the diamond (19)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (20)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 show 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 (22)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (23)\_\_\_\_\_ as a little kid

To (24)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (25)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (26)\_\_\_\_\_ you gave me

I wish I could take the pain away

If you can make 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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But my plan is to show you (27)\_\_\_\_\_ I understand you are appreciated

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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



Answer

1. woman
2. that
3. poorer
4. than
5. mama
6. cell
7. woman
8. single
9. show
10. know
11. sweet
12. love
13. daddy
14. cause
15. father
16. really
17. money
18. good
19. necklace
20. just
21. Sweet
22. through
23. sick
24. keep
25. made
26. that
27. that

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