



## 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 (2)\_\_\_\_\_ thought I'd see her face

Ain't a (3)\_\_\_\_\_ alive that could take my mama's place

Suspended from (4)\_\_\_\_\_ and scared to go home, I was a fool

With the big boys, breakin' all the rules

I shed tears (5)\_\_\_\_\_ my baby sister

Over the years we was poorer than the (6)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (7)\_\_\_\_\_ and high school 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 (9)\_\_\_\_\_ was a black queen, mama

I finally (10)\_\_\_\_\_ for a woman it ain't easy

Tryin' to (11)\_\_\_\_\_ a man you (12)\_\_\_\_\_ was committed

A (13)\_\_\_\_\_ 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? (14)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (15)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 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 though I sell rocks

It feels good puttin' money in (16)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (17)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 your own

And there's no way I can pay you back

But my plan is to (19)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 some (20)\_\_\_\_\_ and I reminisce, 'cause through the drama

I can always depend on my mama

And when it seems (21)\_\_\_\_\_ I'm hopeless

You say the (22)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 (23)\_\_\_\_\_ though I act crazy

I gotta (24)\_\_\_\_\_ 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 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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Lady, don't cha know we love ya? Sweet lady

And dear mama place no one above ya, (25)\_\_\_\_\_ lady

You are appreciated, don't cha (26)\_\_\_\_\_ we love ya?

Sweet lady, and dear mama

Dear mama, lady, lady, lady



Answer

1. years
2. never
3. woman
4. school
5. with
6. other
7. cell
8. from
9. always
10. understand
11. raise
12. always
13. poor
14. Sweet
15. wrong
16. your
17. left
18. after
19. show
20. liquor
21. that
22. words
23. even
24. thank
25. sweet
26. know

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