

Dead in the water It's not a paid vacation The (1)\_\_\_\_\_ and daughters Of city officials attend demonstrations It's hardly a (2)\_\_\_\_\_ or swim When all is well if the ticket sells Out with a whimper It's not a blaze of glory You look down from (3)\_\_\_\_\_ temple As people endeavor to make it a story And chisel a marble word But all is lost if it's (4)\_\_\_\_\_ heard But I've got someone to make reports That tell me how my money's spent To book my stays and draw my plans So I can't tell what's really there And all I need's a great big: Congratulations I'll keep your dreams

## Fill in the gaps

You pay attention for me
As strange as it seems
I'd rather dissolve than have you ignore me
The ground may be moving fast
But I tied my boots to a broken mast
The difference is clear
You throw it in your cauldron
Rust and veneer
Dusk and (5) Steinways and Baldwins
You start with a simple (6) of all the waste
And salt to taste
But damn my luck and (7) (8) friends
That keep on combing back (9) smiles
I save my (10) with half-assed guilt
And lay down the quilt upon the lawn
Spread my arms and soak up:
Congratulations



- 1. sons
- 2. sink
- 3. your
- 4. never
- 5. dawn
- 6. stock
- U. SIUCK
- 7. damn
- 8. these
- 9. their
- 10. grace

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