Fill in the gaps

Hurricane by Bob Dylan

Pistol shots ring out in the (1)_____ night

Enter Patty Valentine from the upper hall.

She sees the bartender in a pool of blood,

Cries out, 'My God, they've killed them all!'

Here comes the story of the Hurricane,

The man the authorities came to blame

For somethin' (2)_____ he never done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The champion of the world.

Three bodies lyin' there does Patty see

And another man named Bello, movin' around mysteriously.

'I didn't do it,' he says, and he throws up his hands

'I was only robbin' the register, I hope you understand.

I saw them leavin',' he says, and he stops

'One of us had better call up the cops.'

And so Patty calls the cops

And they (3)_____ on the scene with their red lights flashin'

In the hot New Jersey night.

Meanwhile, far away in another part of town

Rubin Carter and a couple of (4)_____ are drivin' around.

Number one contender for the (5)_____ crown

Had no idea what kinda shit was (6)_____ to go down

When a cop pulled him over to the side of the road

Just like the (7)_____ before and the time before that.

In Paterson that's just the way things go.

If you're (8)_____ you might as well not show up on the street

'Less you wanna (9)_____ the heat.

Alfred Bello had a partner and he had a rap for the cops.

Him and Arthur Dexter Bradley were just out prowlin' around

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He said, 'I saw two men runnin' out, they looked like middleweights

They jumped into a white car with out-of-state plates.'

And Miss Patty Valentine just nodded her head.

Cop said, 'Wait a minute, boys, this one's not dead'

So they took him to the infirmary

And though (10)_____ man could hardly see

They (11)_____ him that he could (12)_____ the guilty men.

Four in the mornin' and they haul (13)_____ in,

Take him to the hospital and they bring him upstairs.

The wounded man looks up through his one dyin' eye

Says, 'Wha'd you (14)_____ him in here for? He ain't the guy!'

Yes, here's the story of the Hurricane,

The man the authorities came to blame

For somethin' (15)_____ he never done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The champion of the world.

Four months later, the ghettos are in flame,

Rubin's in South America, fightin' for his name

While Arthur Dexter Bradley's still in the robbery game

And the cops are puttin' the screws to him, lookin' for somebody to blame.

'Remember that murder (16)_____ happened in a bar?'

'Remember you said you saw the getaway car?'

'You think you'd like to play ball with the law?'

'Think it might-a been that fighter that you saw runnin' that night?'

'Don't forget that you are white.'

Arthur (17)_____ Bradley said, 'I'm really not sure.'

Cops said, 'A (18)_____ boy like you could use a break

We got you for the motel job and we're talkin' to your friend Bello

Now you don't wanta have to go back to jail, be a nice fellow.

You'll be doin' (19)_____ a favor.

Fill in the gaps

That sonofabitch is brave and gettin' braver.

We want to put his ass in stir

We want to pin this triple murder on him

He ain't no Gentleman Jim.'

Rubin could take a man out with just one punch

But he never did like to (20)_____ about it all that much.

It's my work, he'd say, and I do it for pay

And when it's over I'd just as soon go on my way

Up to some paradise

Where the trout streams flow and the air is nice

And ride a horse along a trail.

But then they took him to the jail house

Where they try to turn a man (21)_____ a mouse.

All of Rubin's cards were marked in advance

The trial was a pig-circus, he (22)_____ had a chance.

The judge made Rubin's (23)_____ drunkards from the slums

To the white folks who watched he was a (24)_____ bum

And to the black folks he was just a crazy nigger.

No one doubted that he pulled the trigger.

And though (25)_____ could not produce the gun,

The D.A. said he was the one who did the deed

And the all-white jury agreed.

Rubin Carter was (26)_____ tried.

The crime was murder 'one,' guess who testified?

Bello and Bradley and they both baldly lied

And the newspapers, they all went along for the ride.

How can the life of such a man

Be in the palm of (27)_____ fool's hand?

To see him obviously framed

Couldn't help but make me feel ashamed to live in a land

Fill in the gaps

Where justice is a game.

Now all the criminals in their coats and their ties

Are free to (28)_____ martinis and watch the sun rise

While Rubin sits like Buddha in a ten-foot cell

An innocent man in a living hell.

That's the story of the Hurricane,

But it won't be over till they (29)_____ his name

And give him back the time he's done.

Put in a prison cell, but one time he could-a been

The champion of the world.

Fill in the gaps

Answer

1. barroom
2. that
3. arrive
4. friends
5. middleweight
6. about
7. time
8. black
9. draw
10. this
11. told
12. identify
13. Rubin
14. bring
15. that
16. that
17. Dexter
18. poor
19. society
20. talk
21. into
22. never
23. witnesses
24. revolutionary
25. they
26. falsely
27. some
28. drink
29. clear