



## Fill in the gaps

### The Gambler by Kenny Rogers

On a warm summer's evenin',  
On a train bound for nowhere  
I met up with the gambler.  
We (1)\_\_\_\_\_ (2)\_\_\_\_\_ too (3)\_\_\_\_\_ to  
sleep.  
So we took turns a-starin'  
Out the (4)\_\_\_\_\_ at the darkness.  
When boredom overtook us,  
He began to speak.  
He said, 'Son, I've made my life  
Out of readin' people's faces.  
Knowin' what the cards were  
By the way they (5)\_\_\_\_\_ their eyes.  
So if you don't (6)\_\_\_\_\_ my sayin',  
I can see you're out of aces,  
For a taste of your whiskey,  
I'll give you (7)\_\_\_\_\_ advice.'  
So I handed him my bottle,  
and he drank down my last swallow.  
Then he bummed a cigarette  
And asked me for a light.  
And the (8)\_\_\_\_\_ got deathly quiet,  
And his face lost all expression.  
He said, 'If  
You're (9)\_\_\_\_\_ play the game, boy,  
You gotta learn to play it right.'  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You never count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time (10)\_\_\_\_\_ for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
Now every gambler knows

The secret to survivin'  
Is knowin' what to throw away  
And knowin' what to keep.  
'Cause (11)\_\_\_\_\_ hand's a winner  
And (12)\_\_\_\_\_ hand's a loser  
And the best you can hope for  
Is to die in your sleep.'  
And (13)\_\_\_\_\_ he (14)\_\_\_\_\_ speakin',  
He turned back toward the window,  
Crushed out his cigarette  
And (15)\_\_\_\_\_ off to sleep.  
And (16)\_\_\_\_\_ in the darkness,  
The gambler he broke even.  
And in his (17)\_\_\_\_\_ words I found  
An ace (18)\_\_\_\_\_ I could keep.  
You've got to know  
When to (19)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em,  
Know (20)\_\_\_\_\_ to fold 'em  
Know when to walk away,  
Know (21)\_\_\_\_\_ to run.  
You never count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be time enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.  
You've got to know  
When to hold 'em,  
Know when to (22)\_\_\_\_\_ 'em  
Know (23)\_\_\_\_\_ to walk away,  
Know when to run.  
You (24)\_\_\_\_\_ count your money  
When you're sittin' at the table.  
There'll be (25)\_\_\_\_\_ enough for countin'  
When the dealin's done.



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Answer

1. were
2. both
3. tired
4. window
5. held
6. mind
7. some
8. night
9. gonna
10. enough
11. every
12. every
13. when
14. finished
15. faded
16. somewhere
17. final
18. that
19. hold
20. when
21. when
22. fold
23. when
24. never
25. time