

## Fill in the gaps

Dead in the water		
It's not a (1) vacation		
The (2) and daughters		
Of city officials attend demonstrations		
It's (3) a sink or swim		
When all is (4) if the ticket sells		
Out with a whimper		
It's not a blaze of glory		
You look down from your temple		
As people endeavor to (5) it a story		
And chisel a marble word		
But all is lost if it's (6) heard		
But I've got (7) 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		

You pay attention for me		
As (8)	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 (9)	cauldron	
Rust and veneer		
Dusk and dawn Steinway	s and Baldwins	
You start with a simple stock of all the waste		
And salt to taste		
But damn my luck and damn these friends		
That keep on combing back their smiles		
I save my grace (10)	half-assed guilt	
And lay down the quilt upon the lawn		
Spread my arms and soak up:		
Congratulations		



## 1. paid

- 2. sons
- 3. hardly
- 4. well
- 5. make
- 6. never
- 7. someone
- 8. strange
- 9. your
- 10. with

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