

Reading and Use of English Part 1 - Shallow

A. Read the text quickly ignoring the gaps and the questions that follow. Answer these questions with a partner:

- How many questions are there?
- What kind of word fits in each gap? (e.g. *adjectives, nouns, verbs*)
- Can you predict the answer without looking at the options?

Shallow - Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper

Tell me something, girl	In the shallow, shallow
Are you happy in this (1) world?	In the shallow, shallow
Or do you need more?	In the shallow, shallow
Is there something else you're (2) for?	We're far from the shallow now
I'm falling	Oh, oh, oh, oh
In all the good times I find myself	Whoah!
(3) for change	I'm off the (6) end, watch as I (7) in
And in the bad times I fear myself	I'll never meet the ground
Tell me something, boy	Crash through the (8) , where they can't
Aren't you tired of trying to fill that (4)?	hurt us
Or do you need more?	We're far from the shallow now
Ain't it hard (5) it so hardcore?	In the shallow, shallow
I'm falling	In the shallow, shallow
In all the good times I find myself	In the shallow, shallow
(3) for change	We're far from the shallow now
And in the bad times I fear myself	
I'm off the (6) end, watch as I (7) in	
I'll never meet the ground	
Crash through the (8) , where they can't	
hurt us	
We're far from the shallow now	

Songwriters: Andrew Wyatt / Anthony Rossomando / Mark Ronson / Stefani Germanotta
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B. For questions 1-8, read the text and decide which answer (**A, B, C** or **D**) best fits each gap.

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| 1. A fresh | B latest | C modern | D current |
| 2. A seeking | B exploring | C searching | D examining |
| 3. A longing | B dreaming | C expecting | D lusting |
| 4. A heart | B lack | C void | D closure |
| 5. A managing | B keeping | C carrying | D putting |
| 6. A far | B wide | C low | D deep |
| 7. A dive | B rise | C dance | D pounce |
| 8. A distance | B province | C centre | D surface |

C. Listen to the song and check your answers

D. With a partner, discuss the other options and why they are not correct.

ANSWER KEY

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1. **C** modern
2. **C** searching
3. **A** longing
4. **C** void
5. **B** keeping
6. **D** deep
7. **A** dive
8. **D** surface