

“COUNTING STARS” by One Republic

1. - Fill the blanks with the words from the box.

alive, dollars, face, feel, find, hard, kills, lately, life, line, make, right, river, signs, sleep, sold, stars, take, vine, word, wrong, young,

_____, I've been, I've been losing _____
Dreaming about the things that we could be
But baby, I've been, I've been praying _____,
Said, no more counting _____
We'll be counting _____, yeah we'll be counting _____

I see this _____ like a swinging _____
Swing my heart across the _____
And my _____ is flashing _____
Seek it out and you shall _____

Old, but I'm not that old
_____, but I'm not that bold
I don't think the world is _____
I'm just doing what we're told

I feel something so _____
Doing the _____ thing
I feel something so _____
Doing the _____ thing
I couldn't lie, couldn't lie, couldn't lie

Everything that _____ me makes me feel _____

I _____ the love and I feel it burn
Down this _____, every turn
Hope is a four-letter _____
_____ that money, watch it burn

2.- Match the adjectives and the nouns. Translate them.

1. swinging	a. stars
2. four-letter	b. vine
3. flashing	c. word
4. counting	d. signs

3.- Translate the following sentences:

I couldn't lie, couldn't lie, couldn't lie
Everything that kills me makes me feel alive

I couldn't lie, couldn't lie, couldn't lie
Everything that downs me makes me wanna fly

Take that money
Watch it burn
Sink in the river
The lessons are learned

4.-Find a synonym or antonym of the following words:

deceive (v)
dead (adj)
courageous (adj)

5.-Find some examples of the following verb tenses in the song:

Present simple
Present continuous
Present perfect continuous
Future continuous
Infinitive
Imperative
Present simple in passive voice

6.-Discuss about the meaning of the song. Why has he not been able to sleep lately? Does it have to do with money, love, society?

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But baby, I've been, I've been praying hard,
Said, no more counting dollars
We'll be counting stars, yeah we'll be counting stars

I see this life like a swinging vine
Swing my heart across the line
And my face is flashing signs
Seek it out and you shall find
Old, but I'm not that old
Young, but I'm not that bold
I don't think the world is sold
I'm just doing what we're told
I feel something so right
Doing the wrong thing
I feel something so wrong
Doing the right thing
I couldn't lie, couldn't lie, couldn't lie
Everything that kills me makes me feel alive

Lately, I've been, I've been losing sleep
Dreaming about the things that we could be
But baby, I've been, I've been praying hard,
Said, no more counting dollars
We'll be counting stars
(x2)

I feel the love and I feel it burn
Down this river, every turn
Hope is a four-letter word

Make that money, watch it burn
Old, but I'm not that old
Young, but I'm not that bold
I don't think the world is sold
I'm just doing what we're told
I feel something so wrong
Doing the right thing
I couldn't lie, couldn't lie, couldn't lie
Everything that downs me makes me wanna fly

Lately, I've been, I've been losing sleep
Dreaming about the things that we could be
But baby, I've been, I've been praying hard,
Said, no more counting dollars
We'll be, we'll be counting stars
(x2)

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