

Buy and Sell

Tune: Silver Bells; original lyrics by Erica Avery, revised by RGOM Wordsmiths

****Before starting, designate a small group to sing the echoes in parentheses.**

City **sidewalks**, busy **sidewalks**, lined with **ad-ver-ti-zing**
 It's the **big** retail **sham** **spoiling** Christmas
 Children **begging for** each **new** thing, plastic **toys** by the mile
 And the **mood** of the **season** is clear:

Buy and **sell** (buy and sell)
 Shopping **hell** (shopping hell)
What a hectic **time** for consumers (All we hear is)
 Ring-a-ling (ring-a-ling), ching-ka-ching! (ching-ka-ching)
Must we spend **holidays** this way? (No!)

Buying **Fair** Trade, ends the **charade**, stops the **cycle** of greed
 Gives us **gifts** we can **take** pride in giving
 Joyful **children** and their **parents** finding **reasons** to smile
 Rediscover the **best** time of year!

Buy and sell (buy and sell)
Things made well (things made well)
It's Fair Trade **time** for our **fam**'lies
 Ring-a-ling (ring-a-ling), **hear** us sing (hear us sing),
Holidays are **better** this way!