

Silver Bells

1. City sidewalks, (G)
Busy sidewalks. (G)
Dressed in holiday style (C)
In the air there's a feeling of Christmas (D7, G)
Children laughing (G)
People passing (G)
Meeting smile after smile (C)
And on ev'ry street corner you'll hear: (D7, G)

Chorus:

Silver bells*, silver bells* *Echo (G, C)
It's Christmas time in the city (D7, G)
Ring-a-ling*, hear them Ring* (G, C)
Soon it will be Christmas day (D7, G)

2. Strings of street lights
Even stop lights
Blink a bright red and green
As the shoppers rush
home with their treasures
Hear the snow crunch
See the kids bunch
This is Santa's big scene
And above all this bustle
You'll hear:

Chorus again

“Silver Bells” was written by Jay Livingston and Ray Evans, inspired by seeing the Salvation Army worker ringing a bell on the city streets. It was first performed in 1950 and remains a favorite to this day.

