

6B SONG Hit 'em up Style (Oops!)

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While he was scheming
I was beaming in the beamer just beaming
Can't believe that I ¹ caught my man cheating
So I ² _____ another way to make him pay for it all
So I ³ _____ to Neiman-Marcus on a shopping spree-ah
And on the way I grabbed Soley and Mia
And as the cash box ⁴ _____
I ⁵ _____ everything away

CHORUS

There goes the dreams we used to say
There goes the times we ⁶ _____ away
There goes the love we ⁷ _____
But you ⁸ _____ on me and that's for THAT now
There goes the house we ⁹ _____ a home
There goes you'll never leave me alone
For all the lies you ¹⁰ _____ this is what you owe

Hey ladies,
When your man wanna get buck wild
Just go back and hit 'em up style
Get your hands on his cash and
Spend it to the last dime for all the hard times
Oh, when you're cold and everything goes
From the crib, to the ride, and the clothes
So you better let him know that
If you mess up you got to hit 'em up

While he was bragging
I was coming down the hill just dragging
All of his pictures and his clothes in the bagging
I ¹¹ _____ everything else till there was
just nothing left
And I ¹² _____ all the bills about a month too late
It's a shame we have to play these games
The love we had just ¹³ _____
away, away

CHORUS

All of the dreams you ¹⁴ _____
¹⁵ _____ me out in the cold
What ¹⁶ _____ to the days
when we used to trust each other
And all of the things I ¹⁷ _____
Will take you until you get old
To get 'em back without me
'Cause revenge is better than money
you'll see

CHORUS

Hey ladies...



- a Listen to the song and complete the gaps with the correct verbs in the past simple. Use some verbs more than once.

catch cheat fade find go
happen have leave make pay
ring sell spend tell think

- b Read the lyrics with the glossary. Choose the best summary.

- The singer isn't happy in the relationship because she's in love with someone else. She buys lots of things because she's sad.
- The singer's partner has been unfaithful, so she spends all his money to get her revenge and make herself feel better.
- The singer and her partner aren't happy and have decided to separate. The song tells us about all the things they have to do together before they can do this.

GLOSSARY

beaming = having a big happy smile on your face
beamer = (slang) a BMW or any nice car
Neiman-Marcus = an expensive US department store
get buck wild = (slang) go crazy, out of control
hit 'em up style = (slang) ask sb for money in lots of different ways
dime = a US coin, worth 10 cents
crib = (slang) home
ride = (slang) vehicle
'Cause = because

SONG FACTS

Hit 'em up Style (Oops!) is the debut single by American R&B singer Blu Cantrell. It has been her only single to enter the US Top 40, where it reached number 2 in July 2001. Blu Cantrell said that she did not really like the song, but decided to include it on her album *So Blu* because of some very angry feelings she was experiencing at the time.

SOLUTIONS OF SONG 6B

A)

Group 1: find – found, go-went, think-thought, ring-rang, catch-caught

Group 2: make-made, spend-spent, cheat-cheated, tell-told, have-had

Group 3: sell-sold, fade-faded, pay-paid

Group 4: leave-left, happen-happened

B)

2 found

3 went

4 rang

5 thought

6 spent

7 had

8 cheated

9 made

10 told

11 sold

12 paid

13 faded

14 sold

15 Left

16 happened

17 sold

C)

The correct summary is 2.