

# The Newbie's Lament

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Winner of the 2004 Royal Bard Contest.

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To the Tune of "Mercedes Benz" as sung by Janice Joplin:

Oh Thor won't you buy me a wagon of war  
My green pinto hatchback just won't do no more  
I need something bigger, perhaps a four door  
Oh Thor won't you buy me a wagon of war

Oh Thor won't you buy me a new canvas tent  
This earth pimple I've got its last days has spent  
The roof won't stop leaking, the poles are all bent  
Oh Thor won't you buy me a new canvas tent

Oh Thor won't you buy me some garb for the feast  
My friends they all tell me I dress like a beast  
Be it pink green or chartreuse I don't care the least  
Oh Thor, won't you buy me some garb for the feast

Oh Thor won't you buy me some brand new frat gear  
This propane tank helmet just won't do I fear  
Maybe something like Brahm's got - but not quite so queer  
Oh Thor won't you buy me some brand new frat gear

Oh Thor won't you give me a mullet like Fox  
Like Samson he fights on the strength of his locks  
It's long in the back and has sides like a box  
Oh Thor won't you give me a mullet like Fox

Oh Thor won't you buy me some period shoes  
Though Nike's a Goddess these sneakers won't do  
Next time I won't spend all my money on booze  
[spoken: Wait a minute! What am I saying!!]  
Oh Thor won't you buy me some period shoes

Oh Thor won't you buy me some quality steel  
These cheap Paki knock offs are just not a deal  
They rust like my helmet they cut like my shield  
Oh Thor won't you buy me some quality steel

Oh Thor won't you buy me a new plate and fork  
I'm dining on Chinette - I feel like a dork  
I don't think king Arthur would eat with a spork  
Oh Thor won't you buy me a new plate and fork