

I Want A Hippopotamus For Christmas

Intro: |G |D⁷ |G |G

Verse 1:

|G |G |G |D⁷
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas; Only a hippopotamus will do

|D⁷ |D⁷
Don't want a doll, no dinky Tinker Toy;

|A⁷ } / } |D⁷
I want a hippopotamus to play with and en-joy



Verse 2:

|G |G
I want a hippopotamus for Christmas; I

|G |D⁷
don't think Santa Claus will mind, do you?

|D⁷ |D⁷
He won't have to use our dirty chimney flue

|A⁷ } / } |D⁷
Just bring him through the front door, that's the easy thing to do

Bridge 1

|G⁷ |C |G⁷ |C
I can see me now on Christmas morning, creeping down the stairs

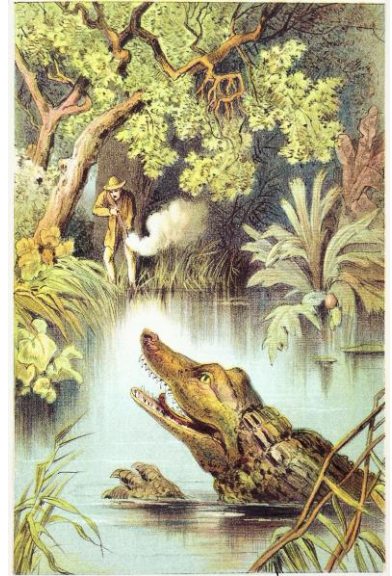
|D⁷ |G
Oh what joy and what surprise, when I open up my eyes

|A⁷ |D⁷
to see a hippo hero standing there **Slow and pause – false ending**

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Verse 3:

|G |G |G |D⁷
 I want a hippopotamus for Christmas; Only a hippopotamus will do
 |D⁷ |D⁷ |A⁷ |D⁷ } } }
 No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses; I only like hippopotamuses
 |A⁷ / D⁷ / |G
 And hippopota- muses like me too



2nd time ending only: Add

|A⁷ / D⁷ / |G
 And hippopota- muses like me too

INSTRUMENTAL |G |G |G |D⁷

|D⁷ |D⁷
 Mom says the hippo would eat me up, but then

|A⁷ } / } |D⁷ } / }
 Teacher says a hippo is a vege-teri-an

INSTRUMENTAL |G |G |G |D⁷

|D⁷ |D⁷
 There's lots of room for him in our two-car garage

|A⁷ |D⁷
 I'd feed him there and wash him there and give him his mass-age

PLAY BRIDGE

PLAY VERSE 3