**I WANT A HIPPOPOTAMUS FOR CHRISTMAS**

Intro 8 bars +2 counts of4

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
Only a hippopotamus will do
I don't want a doll, no dinky tinker toy
I want a hippopotamus to play with and enjoy

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
I don't think Santa Claus will mind, do you? 
He won't have to use our dirty chimney flue
Just bring him through the front door
That's the easy thing to do

I can see me now on Christmas morning
Creeping down the stairs
Oh, what joy and what surprise
When I open up my eyes
To see a hippo hero standing there

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
Only a hippopotamus will do
No crocodiles, or rhinoceroses-es
I only like  hippopotamuses-es
And hippopotamuses like me too
 *music break 2bars*

Mum says the hippo, would eat me up but then,
Teacher says a hippo is a vege-tari-an
 *music break 2bars*
 There's lots of room for him in our two car garage
I'd feed him there, and wash him there
And give him his massage

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