I WANT A HIPPOPOTAMUS FOR CHRISTMAS

I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
Only a hippopotamus will do
I don't want a dog, 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 a 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 a joy and what surprise when
I open up my eyes
To see a hippo hero standing there

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Only a hippopotamus will do
No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses
I only like hippopotamuses
And hippopotamuses like me too
And hippopotamuses like me too ----