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G/// D7/// G///
I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
Only a hippopotamus will [D] do
[D7] Don't want a doll, no dinky Tinker Toy
I [A]want a hippopotamus to play with and en-[D7]-joy
I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
I don't think Santa Claus will mind, do [D] you?
He [D7] won't have to use our dirty chimney flue
Just [A] bring him through the front door,
that's the easy thing to [D7] do
I can [G7] see me now on [C] Christmas morning,
[G7] creeping down the [C] stairs
Oh what [D7] joy and what surprise
when I [G] open up my eyes
to see a [A7] hippo hero [D] standing [D7] there
I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
Only a hippopotamus will [D] do
[D7] No crocodiles, no rhinoceroses
[A] I only like hippopota-[D]-muses
And [A] hippopota-[D7]-muses like me [G] too
G/// G/// G/// D///
[D7] Mom says the hippo would eat me up, but then
[A] Teacher says a hippo is a vegeteri-[D7]-an
G/// G/// G/// D///
There's [D7] lots of room for him in our two-car garage
I'd [A] feed him there and wash him there
and give him his mass-[D7]-age
I can [G7] see me now on [C] Christmas morning,
[G7] creeping down the [C] stairs
Oh what [D7] joy and what surprise
when I [G] open up my eyes
to see a [A7] hippo hero [D] standing [D7] there
I [G] want a hippopotamus for Christmas
Only a hippopotamus will [D] do
[D7] No crocodiles or rhinoceroseses
[A] I only like hippopota-[D7]-museses
And [A] hippopota-[D7]-muses like me [G] too!
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