

I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas (3rd and 4th)

[5a] (Spoken)

4th: Not a lion
3rd: not a tiger
4th: not a bear or a kangaroo,
3rd: not a donkey
4th: or a monkey
All: no, they would never do!

[13a]

4th: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
3rd: Only a hippopotamus will do
4th: Don't want a doll,
3rd: no dinky Tinker Toy
All: I want a hippopotamus to play with and enjoy

[29a]

4th: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
3rd: I don't think Santa Claus will mind, do you?
All: He won't have to use our dirty chimney flue
Just bring him through the front door,
that's the easy thing to do

[45a]

All: I can see me now on Christmas morning,
creeping down the stairs
4th: Oh what joy and what surprise
3rd: when I open up my eyes
All: to see a hippo hero standing there

[61a]

4th: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
3rd: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
4th: Only a hippopotamus will do
3rd: Nothing else will do!
4th: No crocodiles,
3rd: no rhinoceroses
All: I only like hippopotamuses
And hippopotamuses like me too

[5b] (Spoken)

4th: Not a tortoise
3rd: not a porpoise
4th: and a zebra would never do.
3rd: not an eagle

4th: or a beagle
All: just one thing at the zoo!

[13b]

4th: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
3rd: Only a hippopotamus will do
4th: Mom says a hippo,
3rd: would eat me up, but then
All: my teacher says a hippo is a vegetarian!

[29b]

4th: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
3rd: The kind I saw last summer in the zoo.
All: There's room for him in our two-car garage
I'd feed him there, and wash him there, and give him his massage

[45b]

All: I can see me now on Christmas morning,
creeping down the stairs
4th: Oh what joy and what surprise
3rd: when I open up my eyes
All: to see a hippo hero standing there

[61b]

4th: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
3rd: I want a hippopotamus for Christmas
4th: Only a hippopotamus will do
3rd: Nothing else will do!
4th: No crocodiles,
3rd: no rhinoceroses
All: I only like hippopotamuses
And hippopotamuses, not rhinoceroses,
yes, hippopotamuses like me, too!

(Spoken) It's true!