

I Want a Hippopotamus for Christmas

(Hero the Hippo)

J = 120

The musical score consists of ten staves of music. Staff 1 starts with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a tempo of *J = 120*. It features a series of eighth-note chords: F major, C major, G major, and D major. Staff 2 begins with a bass clef and a key signature of two flats. The lyrics "WANT A HIP - PO - POT - A-MUS FOR CHRIST - MAS," are written below the notes, followed by a single note "A". Staff 3 continues with the bass clef and key signature of two flats. The lyrics "hip - po - pot - a - mus is all I want." are written below the notes. Staff 4 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics "Don't want a doll, no dink - y tink - er toy. I Mom says a hip - po would eat me up, but then." are written below the notes. Staff 5 continues with the treble clef and key signature of one flat. The lyrics "want a hip - po - pot - a-mus to play with and en - joy. I Teach - er says a hip - po is a veg - e - ta - ri - an." are written below the notes. Staff 6 starts with a bass clef and a key signature of two flats. The lyrics "WANT A HIP - PO - POT - A-MUS FOR CHRIST - MAS," are written below the notes, followed by "I The". Staff 7 continues with the bass clef and key signature of two flats. The lyrics "don't think San - ta Claus will mind, do you? He kind I saw last sum - mer in the zoo. We" are written below the notes. Staff 8 starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The lyrics "won't have to use our dirt - y chim - ney flue, Just gotta car with room for two in our two car ga - rage, I'd" are written below the notes. Staff 9 continues with the treble clef and key signature of one flat. The lyrics "bring him through the front dorr, that's the eas - y thing to do. I can feed him there and wash him there and give him his mas - sage. I can" are written below the notes.

1 WANT A HIP - PO - POT - A-MUS FOR CHRIST - MAS, A

9 hip - po - pot - a - mus is all I want.

13 Don't want a doll, no dink - y tink - er toy. I
Mom says a hip - po would eat me up, but then.

17 want a hip - po - pot - a-mus to play with and en - joy. I
Teach - er says a hip - po is a veg - e - ta - ri - an. I

21 WANT A HIP - PO - POT - A-MUS FOR CHRIST - MAS, I
The

25 don't think San - ta Claus will mind, do you? He
kind I saw last sum - mer in the zoo. We

29 won't have to use our dirt - y chim - ney flue, Just
gotta car with room for two in our two car ga - rage, I'd

33 bring him through the front dorr, that's the eas - y thing to do. I can
feed him there and wash him there and give him his mas - sage. I can

37 **B^b9** **B^b7** **E^b** **C^m7**
 see me know on Christ - mas morn - ing

41 **F^m7** **B^b9** **E^b** **E^b_m6**
 creep - ing down the stairs, Oh, what

45 **F7** **B^b** **G^m7**
 joy and what sur -prise when I o - pen up my eyes to see my

49 **C** **B^b** **F^{#o}** **C7** **C^m7** **F^o** **F7**
 hip - po he - ro stand - ing there... I

53 **B^b**
 WANT A HIP - PO - POT - A - MUS FOR CHRIST - MAS,

57 **B^b** **F7** **B^o** **F7**
 On - ly a hip - po - pot - a - mus will do.

61 **F7**
 No croc - o - diles or rhi - noc - e - ros - es,
 No kan - ga - roos or duck - bill plat - y - pus - es,

65 **C7** **F7** **C7**
 I on - ly like hip - po-pot - a - mus-es and hip - po-pot - a -

70 **F7** **1. B^b** **E^o** **C^m7** **F7** **2. B^b**
 mus - es like me too. I too.