

# Nightmare Before Christmas

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Twas the night before Christmas  
And I'd gone to bed late  
Lord only knows how much pizza I ate

Christmas Eve I dreamed that Santa was arrested  
Yeah, they handcuffed him and they hauled him off to jail  
Christmas Eve I dreamed that Santa was arrested  
For crimes so bad they held him without bail

Cruelty to Reindeer was the first charge that they read  
We got there just in time your Honor  
He had nine of them hitched to a heavy sleigh  
And abuse is indicated ones got a nose that's awfully red  
And the prosecution had only just begun  
OSHA closed his workshop down for safety violations  
And there product liability claims for every toy built since creation  
We found out he hires only Elf's and of course that's discrimination  
He'll be put away for life before we're done  
That sled is not air worthy  
The FAA won't certify  
He's over sixty with corrected vision therefore he should not fly  
Why this could be the trail of the century  
There's over ten billion instances of unlawful entry

Christmas Eve I dreamed that Santa was arrested  
And not only for the things they claimed he did  
Christmas Eve I dreamed that Santa was arrested  
For being a poor roll model for kids

Why just look at him there your honor  
He doesn't shave or cut his hair  
And he grossly over weight and he only works one day a year  
Now we all know he smokes tobacco  
And they's fur on that suit he wears  
We must protect our kids from men like this

Order, or, order in the court said the judge  
I've heard enough about his crimes  
And clearly this is a man who's out of step with modern times  
But one of those houses he so often entered unlawfully was mine  
And therefore all charges are dismissed

Oh, I woke up to the sound of Ho, Ho. Hoin'  
Reindeer hoofs upon my roof and it was snowing  
And as I watch him fly away it was good knowing  
That some things that are politically incorrect can still be right  
Merry Christmas to all and to all A Merry Christmas Eve goodnight  
Must have been the pepperoni