

Off By Heart

BENJAMIN ZEPHANIAH - Talking Turkeys

Be nice to yu turkeys dis christmas
Cos' turkeys just wanna hav fun
Turkeys are cool, turkeys are wicked
An every turkey has a Mum.
Be nice to yu turkeys dis christmas,
Don't eat it, keep it alive,
It could be yu mate, an not on your plate
Say, Yo! Turkey I'm on your side.

I got lots of friends who are turkeys
An all of dem fear christmas time,
Dey wanna enjoy it, dey say humans destroyed it
An humans are out of dere mind,
Yeah, I got lots of friends who are turkeys
Dey all hav a right to a life,
Not to be caged up an genetically made up
By any farmer an his wife.

Turkeys just wanna play reggae
Turkeys just wanna hip-hop.
Can yu imagine a nice young turkey saying,
'I cannot wait for de chop.'
Turkeys like getting presents, dey wanna watch christmas TV,
Turkeys hav brains an turkeys feel pain
In many ways like yu an me.

I once knew a turkey called... Turkey.
He said, 'Benji, explain to me please,
Who put de turkey in christmas
An what happens to christmas trees?'
I said, 'I am not too sure, Turkey
But it's nothing to do wid Christ Mass.
Humans get greedy an waste more dan need be
An business men mek loadsa cash.'

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**Be nice to yu turkey dis christmas
Invite dem indoors fe sum greens
Let dem eat cake an let dem partake
In a plate of organic grown beans,
Be nice to yu turkey dis christmas
An spare dem de cut of de knife.
Join Turkeys United an dey'll be delighted
An yu will mek new friends 'FOR LIFE'.**