

Frank Sinatra, The Twelve Days Of Christmas

(Traditional, adapted by S. Cahn and J. Van Heusen)

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[Traditional version]

On the (first) day of Christmas my true love sent to me
Twelve lords leaping, Eleven ladies dancing, Ten pipers piping
Nine drummers drumming, Eight maids milking, Seven swans swimming
Six geese laying, Five gold rings
Four calling birds, Three french hens, Two turtle doves,
And a partridge in a pear tree

[Frank's version]

On the (first) day of Christmas, we gave our loving dad (my children gave to me)
Twelve dozen kisses, Eleven jars of jelly, Ten silken hankies,
Nine games of scrabble, Eight pairs of cufflinks, Seven books of fiction,
Six golden lighters, Five ivory combs,
Four mission lights, Three golf clubs, Two silken scarfs,
And a most lovely lavender tie.