

Sleep Tight!

Words and Music P J Burrell 2025

(All) **Sleep tightly ... dear Sophie**
 So gently on your pillow

Rap *“There’s nothing as certain as this”, I said
 To mum as she turned out the light.
 “There’s a crocodile under my bed now,
 It’s real, though it’s not yet in sight
 It may appear shy but it’s resting
 And quietly waiting beneath,
 But the moment I dangle one foot down
 It will jump out and bite with its teeth!*

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 So gently on your pillow

Rap *Please mother, why can’t you believe me?
 You just think I’m having you on,
 But do understand that this creature
 Is biding its time till you’ve gone
 And don’t you go thinking I’m crazy
 Or lost in a world of my own,
 Since I know there’s a risk of some wildlife
 About in this house, still unknown.*

(Vocal Solo) Your mind is in a wildlife show
 Imagination takes you far
 You wander over desert and snow
 With visions of a kingdom of creatures

(All) **Sleep Tightly ... dear Sophie**
 So gently on your pillow

Instrumental

Rap I’ve heard wolves scratching round in the kitchen.
 I know fruit bats hand under the stairs
 The dining room serves as a hideout
 For a number of hungry brown bears

(Vocal Solo) But while your body lies so still
 Your restless heart goes beating on
 And what you dream seems ever so real
 A world apart from what you believed in

Instrumental

Rap The lounge is a room full of spiders,
Tarantulas lurk by the door.
Whilst the wardrobe's a space to avoid now,
Since I'm sure that I just heard a roar!
The bathroom's a place that I cannot abide
The thought of it fills me with dread
Of snakes that reside in the plugholes
With piranhas which have not been fed

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(Together with 'But while your body lies so still ...' etc.)

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(Music suddenly cuts out but everyone remains still)