No Accounting For the Holidays

1. Deck The Halls (with calculators)
To the tune of Deck The Halls (Traditional)
New lyrics by Steven Zelin and Fred Bogert

Deck the halls with calculators
Moo la la la la, la la la
Gather round you tax evaders,
Moo la la la la, moo la la la
Martha Stewart, Pavarotti
Moo la la la la la, la la la
Al Capone and Dennis Kozlowski
Moo la la la la, moo la la la

See the halos slightly rusted
Moo la la la la, la la la
Cheat the feds and then get busted
Moo la la la la, moo la la la
Lawrence Taylor, Willie Nelson
Moo la la la la la, la la la
OJ Simpson, Sophia Loren
Moo la la la la, moo la la la

2. Most Deductible Time of the Year
To the tune of “The Most Wonderful Time of the Year,” by Eddie Pola & George Wyle, New lyrics by Steven Zelin

It’s the most deductible time of the year
It’s the money we’re smelling and everyone telling you “Tax Season’s near”
It’s the most deductible time of the year.

It’s the tax - happiest season of all
With those forms we’re completing and everyone cheating; no refund too small,
it’s the tax - happiest season of all.

There’ll be parties commencing, and mucho expensing,
Joy to the world! The job is done!
I finally have some peace!
I leave my desk! Vacation starts!
Just let the telephones ring,
Just let the telephones ring,
And let, and let the telephones ring

5. IRS Jingle Bells
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To the tune of “One Horse Open Sleigh” or “Jingle Bells” by James Pierpont
New lyrics by Steven Zelin and Fred Bogert

Reading through the code, is my favorite thing to do
Reminded of the old; learning all the new
Regulations here and new pronouncements there
What fun it is to figure out a complex questionnaire
IRS, IRS, keeping me employed
Helping clients understand what they cannot avoid
IRS, IRS, Add more to the pile
My net worth accumulates every time they file
Congress wants your votes so that they can keep their jobs
They dream up complex loopholes for upper crust snobs
They push them through the house. The Senate sends ‘em through.
They have now been doing this since 1862
Every single day, they change the tax code laws
They’ll add a new subsection, they’ll take out an old clause
Making taxes clear; that’s what they say they do
I haven’t seen a single form that proves that this is true.
Make sure they must go through me each time they e-file

6. Hava Tequila
To the tune of Hava Nagila by Idelsohn. New lyrics by Steven Zelin & Fred Bogert

Hava a tequila; hava a tequila, hava a tequila, taxes are done
Hava a tequila; hava a tequila, hava a tequila, taxes are done
You’ve gone through all the mess, dealing with the IRS
Up to date, never late, day after day
You didn’t have to pay; you keep your cash today.
Times like this, you could kiss, your CPA
Do you, do you, do you
do you wake up bright and sunny
Dreaming of your refund money
All the ways that you could spend it
Secret places you could send it
Nothing due! All for you! Now it’s party time!
Taxes are done!

To the tune of “I Have a Little Dreidel” by Samuel S. Grossman and Mikh Gelbart. New lyrics by Steven Zelin

Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, make the numbers go away.
Taxes, taxes, taxes, on my mind all night and day
Oh I’ve been doing taxes for 57 years
I’ve done so many taxes it’s bringing me to tears.
The only thing that helps me, to make the crying stop
Is to spin my little dreydl, my favorite wishing top.
The papers keep on piling up; they pile up real high
Even if I move one, three more fall from the sky
The deadline is approaching; I don’t know what to do.
I’ll have to stay here all night. I wish that were taboo.
The clients keep on calling; they want their stuff right now
I would do it surely, if only I knew how
The boss keeps on complaining what did I do all day
I sometimes wish this dreydl could make him go away

8. Twelve Days of Taxes
To the tune of “Twelve Days of Christmas”  (Traditional) New lyrics by Fred Bogert and Steven Zelin

On the first day of taxes upon my schedule C, I showed a small profit for me
On the second day of taxes, deductions claimed by me: 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me
On the 3rd of taxes, deductions claimed by me: 3 legal fees 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me
On the 4th of taxes, deductions claimed by me: 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes, and I showed a small profit for me
On the 5th of taxes, deductions claimed by me: 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes, and I showed a small profit for me
On the 6th day of taxes deductions claimed by me: 6 limos driving, 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes, and I showed a small profit for me
On the 7th day of taxes deductions claimed by me: 7 jets for flying, 6 limos driving, 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me
On the 8th day of taxes deductions claimed by me: 8 yachts for sailing, 7 jets for flying, 6 limos driving, 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me
On the 9th day of taxes deductions claimed by me: 9 subcontractors, 8 yachts for sailing, 7 jets for flying, 6 limos driving, 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me
On the 10th day of taxes deductions claimed by me: 10 business breakfasts, 9 subcontractors, 8 yachts for sailing, 7 jets for flying, 6 limos driving, 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me
On the 11th day of taxes deductions claimed by me: 11 business dinners, 10 business breakfasts, 9 subcontractors, 8 yachts for sailing, 7 jets for flying, 6 limos driving, 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3
legal fees, 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me

On the 12th day of taxes deductions claimed by me: 12 business lunches, 11 business dinners, 10 business breakfasts, 9 subcontractors, 8 yachts for sailing, 7 jets for flying, 6 limos driving, 5 days in France, 4 call girls, 3 legal fees, 2 vacation homes and I showed a small profit for me

9. (Silent Night) IRS
To the tune of the traditional Christmas song “Silent Night” New lyrics by Steven Zelin

I R S, I R S,
You give me too much stress
Take all my money and ask me for more
I make a dollar and then you take four
Why can’t you leave me be?

I R S, I R S,
All my files are a mess
I’ve got 12 businesses; each is a loss
I would be fired, if I weren’t the boss
I know it’s hard to believe
I got no ace up my sleeve

I R S, I R S,
I give up; I confess
I’ll pay all the late filing fees
Just do not take my house and my car keys
Stop the interest and fees
Please stop the interest and fees

10. Go Home Ye Weary CPAs
To the tune of “God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen” (Traditional) New lyrics by Steven Zelin and Fred Bogert

Go Home Ye Weary CPA’s
Lock up and shut the lights
You spent enough of this year working halfway through the night
Your family still remembers you; they’d love to have you home
With some luck you won’t be sleeping along, sleeping alone
With some luck you won’t be sleeping along.

Go Home Ye Weary CPA’s
There’s nothing more to do
The audit’s done, the case is won
Our financials are true
There’s not a single document that you have not reviewed
And that’s fine, you’ve been billing for your time, that’s enough time
Wrap it up and please stop billing for your time

Go Home Ye Weary CPA’s
Whose paychecks don’t compute
It’s time to set up shop at home and end this long commute
It’s fun when you can work where you don’t have to wear a suit
Relaxing in comfort and joy, comfort and joy
Relaxing in comfort and joy.

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