

Title : An Alibi Would Be Handy

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It seems everyone has a motive
It seems everyone bore a grudge
We had plenty of opportunity
I think that's for me to judge

And since everyone knows a lawyer
Charging reasonable rates
There is just one thing we are lacking
That such a crime necessitates...
An alibi would be handy
Yes, an alibi could be used
When a murder's been committed
And you find you stand accused

If the odds are stacked against you
There is one way to succeed
If you're innocent we're certain
It's an alibi you need

An alibi would be handy
An alibi is a friend
When a relative who's wealthy

Meets a sudden grisly end
Though of course you say "not guilty"
If they ask you how you plead
But to keep you from the courthouse
It's an alibi you need

When a man lies dead
And not many tears are shed
Certain doubts begin to linger
If your nerve should crack
You had better watch your back
Someone's sure to point the finger

When you know the proof
Has to lurk beneath your roof
Then beware the furtive glance

To protect your name from the scandal
And the shame
You cannot leave things to chance
That's when...

An alibi would be handy
If your story does not ring true
And you're suddenly aware of
People staring straight at you

Don't waste time in just denying
Any knowledge of the deed
If you want to see true justice
It's an alibi you need

Only one thing can be certain
It's a fact we have to face
Death did not result from nat'ral causes
In this case
At the risk of understatement
Such behaviour is uncouth
And I mean to seek

Whoever's economic with the truth
The truth

An alibi would be handy
Yes an alibi is a plus
When you face a situation
Like the one that's facing us
Such affairs can be so messy
We're all fervently agreed
When a corpse is in your bedroom
It's an alibi you need

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An alibi would be handy
Good for getting you off the hook
So in case you haven't found one
Best you have another look

To avoid the sordid gossip
For your conscience to be freed
If your life is in the balance
It's an alibi you need