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Subject: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Airforce 3](#) on Sun, 27 Nov 2016 06:40:39 GMT  
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Remember that old Zeppelin song? Remember all that talk back in the day about how when you play certain songs backwards, satanic messages could be heard? I heard a story once about how someone played the song backwards in a church and all the candles extinguished themselves.

Think there's any truth to that?

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Thaddeus](#) on Sun, 11 Dec 2016 15:58:34 GMT  
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I remember a lot of talk about this along time ago. I even remember one of my friend's parents having the record and my friend played it backwards one time. I've never actually heard it myself, but I guess there could always be that possibility. Have you ever heard the messages?

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Azuri](#) on Tue, 19 Sep 2017 16:24:05 GMT  
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Having owned and seen many turntables in my life, I have never seen that as a working option.

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Kitt](#) on Tue, 16 Jan 2018 08:48:32 GMT  
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Azuri wrote on Tue, 19 September 2017 11:24 There is an even bigger question to this that no one has ever addressed. How does the average listener get the average turntable to roll backwards at 33 1/3 RPM's?

Having owned and seen many turntables in my life, I have never seen that as a working option. That's actually a very good point. It's something that everyone who believes the stories mentioned here should ask themselves. I don't think any of those stories are true.

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Tue, 16 Jan 2018 15:37:38 GMT  
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People rotated the records backwards with their fingers. Best if you had a direct-drive turntable, but belt drives usually wouldn't throw the belt if you didn't go crazy with it.

Some artists in the 1960s and 1970s purposely mixed in backwards material, probably in response to the popularity of this fad back then. People may have started thinking they could hear eerie sayings when they played records backwards, so some artists recorded backmasked content on purpose. The Beatles were the first to do it on their 1966 Album, "Revolver." The one I like best was on the Electric Light Orchestra's album "Face the Music."

When you play the intro to the first song (Fire On High) backwards it says, "The music is reversible, but time is not. Turn back, turn back, turn back!"

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [johnnycamp5](#) on Wed, 17 Jan 2018 14:11:53 GMT  
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When I was young, I used to rotate the album backwards with my finger lol.

That's interesting about that Beatles album Wayne, I did not know that.

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [rarerat](#) on Mon, 14 May 2018 08:21:16 GMT  
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I've never heard of this - it all sounds a bit far-fetched to me and maybe had a lot to do with whatever people were on back then

I might have to try it out - I wonder if Johnny Cash left a hidden message this way, that would be cool.

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Rusty](#) on Mon, 26 Aug 2019 14:58:04 GMT  
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Speaking of vinyl played backwards, and forwards, and backwards, and forwards. Over and over. What in gods name made record scratching so popular? Whooka, whooka, whooka. I never could get it. It just seemed inane. And now for the maestro's next scratch. Whooka, whooka, whooka. Ay caramba!

I shouldn't gripe though. Without that whooka, whooka, the Technics 1200 turntable I use would have probably gone defunct long before it did. And then be brought back from the dead again by popular demand.

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Mon, 26 Aug 2019 15:21:19 GMT  
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So true!

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [johnnycamp5](#) on Mon, 26 Aug 2019 22:29:28 GMT  
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Yes, its often been referred to as the "no talent zone".

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Subject: Re: Stairway To Heaven Backwards  
Posted by [Azuri](#) on Fri, 27 Sep 2019 03:06:44 GMT  
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And for good reason. It's the beat that people want and the marketing team sells it well. I guess the next fad will be the record scratching done backwards.

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