

I chose to review a Green Day album for its name alone. 'Nimrod'? It's not really an often used word in England so I had to Google its meaning. Apparently it means a jerk, which surprised me as I never knew Elgar's classical piece also titled 'Nimrod' was about someone like that. Very strange. Such music is usually about nature or mythical creatures. Then I Googled the other definitions of the word and everything made sense - it also can mean a tyrant or a skilled hunter. It's still PRETTY ambiguous, but I would be interested in listening to classic material about that stuff, it sounds exciting. Well part of me would anyway. I'm still only 34 years young (pre-mid thirties by about three months, or arguably fifteen) so I haven't reached mature classical music appreciating age yet, but I'm sure I will one day. Imagine if Bach wrote a fugue called 'The Prick'. Very odd.

Also imagine Bach writing a piece called 'Nice Guys Finish Last.' Usually people of the time encouraged more holy thinking. I'm saying that, because that's a track on the album in question. How would you write a mass with lyrics such as 'Praise God, but be mean at the same time or you'll lose'. It's no more a contradiction than saying 'I like you, you're a dickhead' to someone. Similarly it would be weird if the baroque composer wrote a concerto called 'Platypus (I Hate You)'. (Another one of Green Day's). Google a picture of the composer. Does he look like the kind of person to screw around? He looks like a judge and such people have to be mature or they'll hand wacky sentences such as getting (hardened) loaves of bread thrown at you for stealing a loaf of bread. Cruel and unusual punishment, isn't it? Sure ALL punishments have to be at least a little bit cruel or it wouldn't be a punishment and it wouldn't really make sense, but I guess cruel in the eyes of the law means something like being forced to dress as a duck, etc. I'd hate that.

Out of curiosity, does GD frontman Billie Joe Armstrong look like a judge? Not really. I hate to sound hypocritical, but some of his pictures on Google make him look just a little bit silly. I imagine him saying something like 'You stole a loaf of bread? I sentence you to dress as a pigeon.' We're the same you and I, Billie. Only joking he'd probably take offence to that. Hopefully not, though. Moving on, there seems to be a theme with the band's music as they've also released an album called 'American Idiot'. Not something you want to be called as it would hurt your self esteem, but how would you feel if someone made an ALBUM of the fact you're an idiot? Luckily I know it's not about me though, as I'm not from the USA. I've been there, but still I don't qualify as American. Phew. You must be able to sue for someone making an upsetting LP about you, it's too far. Most GD albums seem harmless, for example '39/Smooth', 'Kerplunk', 'Uno', 'Dos', 'Tre', and to a lesser extent 'Dookie' etc., but where the hell did his most recent 'Father of All (expletive)' come from???

I think about 10 years ago he went a bit mad and smashed his guitar on stage, but still it wasn't the era of the controversial album I just mentioned. If it was that would offer some clues as to why the destruction happened. It would also make sense if the incident happened around the release time of 2016's 'Revolution Radio', but it actually happened around the release of 'Tre'. That's a harmless word meaning 'three'. Hm. Puzzling. Maybe he just hates the number three. I hate random things too, such as the sound of sellotape being torn away from something. I don't know why! Anyway, the music, is it good? I'm not saying Green Day is a perfect band, lots of their songs sound the same, but if you pretend they don't, or you only own one or

two albums and you don't realise they do, you will get a lot out of Nimrod. It would have been really lazy of the band if they called their album what it is because they were saying they were nimrods and it's SUPPOSED to sound samey, but as far as I'm aware that's not the case. And even if it was, I get it, I've done the same kind of thing. All in all... 9/10! Bye!