

ALIENS IN THIS WORLD  
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6 characters, male or female. If "Rebecca" is played by a male, switch the name to, "Robert."  
The script may be performed in 3 parts in 3 different meetings or performed entirely in one meeting. Part 3 is completely optional. The goal at the end of the piece is to spark discussion and thought in the audience rather than a happy conclusion.

**PART 1 - A PARK - DAYTIME**

UFO SOUND EFX. Two ALIENS enter stage. The aliens look and sound very stereotypical --think 1950s movie Martians. They should be quirky, eccentric, and humorous. As they enter they calculate data on their gadgets.

KANE

Yes. We have collected all the data we need about these humans. We now know what is normal.

KODOS

Yes. Standard.

KANE

Yes. A benchmark.

KODOS

Yes.

KANE

Yes.

KODOS

Yes. We are ready to take a human specimen to our planet for experimentation.

KANE

Yes. A typical human will give us an accurate understanding of their species.

KODOS

Yes. How about...?

(looking around, then seeing  
Rebecca walk in)

Her. The subject with the title,  
(looking at gadget)  
"Rebecca".

KANE

Yes. She is....

(reading gadget)

-Very typical.

KODOS

Yes. Prepare to apprehend.

KANE

Yes.

REBECCA crosses by them. They jump out.

KANE

Yes. Greetings earthling.

Seeing the Aliens, Rebecca screams and freaks out.

Kodos zaps Rebecca with a ray from the gadget, which silences her and keeps her in one spot.

KODOS

Yes. You must stop that!

KANE

Yes. Hurts my ear.

KODOS

Yes. My ear too.

KANE

Yes. We have come to take you to our planet.

KODOS

Yes. You are our human specimen.

Rebecca desperately waves her hands in a sign of protest, pleading to speak. They un-zap her.

REBECCA

Look, you don't want me! You want to take someone else!  
(looking around, pointing off stage)

How about him?

Kane and Kodos look. They quickly look at their gadgets, then back to Rebecca.

KODOS

Yes-

Rebecca is relieved.

KODOS

No. We want you.

KANE

Yes. You are most typical.

REBECCA

What?! Me?! No way. I am not typical. In fact I am very atypical.

The Aliens look at each other quizzically, then quickly go to their gadgets and type furiously. Then they look up together.

KANE

Yes. No. The data reveals otherwise.

KODOS

Yes. You are like everyone else.

REBECCA

(growing desperate)

Look, I am- I am a Christian. I believe in Jesus! My life is not like everybody else's. It's different. Really different.

KANE

Yes.

KODOS

Yes.

Beat.

REBECCA

Ok, was that a "yes," like you agree with me? ...Or a, "yes," to simply acknowledge that I said something?

KODOS

Yes.

KANE

Yes.

REBECCA

I see. This is just a big misunderstanding. See I am commanded to be set apart. It's in the Bible. Being different than the world is a major point of my religion.

KODOS

Yes. Ok.

REBECCA

Ok?

KANE

Yes. Ok. We are not barbarians. You may plead your case to our court system.

KODOS

Yes. If the judge decides you are not a typical human, we will let you go.

REBECCA

And if the judge disagrees with me?

KANE

Yes.

REBECCA

Yes?

KANE

Yes. We take you.

KODOS

Yes. And dissect you.

Rebecca gasps. The Aliens and she faints. They drag her off.

## PART 2 - ALIEN COURT ROOM

The Aliens drag Rebecca into a court room which looks very familiar to courts on Earth. They put her in a chair next to another human (Public Defender) who is wearing a disheveled business suit. Rebecca wakes.

PEOPLE'S COURT or LAW AND ORDER theme plays or some silly alien music. The other characters in the room are; an Alien Prosecutor (uptight and exacting), and the Public Defender (a human who is like an Owen Wilson character in over his head). An Alien Judge (old and weathered) enters. They all rise.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, order, order. I will now hear the case of the typical human who claims not to be human.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Objection your honor.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, what is it?

PUBLIC DEFENDER

My client does claim to be a human, however just not a TYPICAL human and therefore she is not a good candidate for-

The Public Defender looks at  
Rebecca for the info.

REBECCA

-experimentations and dissections.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

She is therefore not a good candidate for-  
(back to Rebecca)

Oh wow, really? They said that? Thats the stakes?

Rebecca nods in fear.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

(wide-eyed and excited)

Wow, I can't believe this! My first capital punishment case.  
Man, I should have prepared more.

(back to Judge)

Experimentations and Dissections your honor.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, Sustained. I will now hear the case of the typical  
human who claims not to be typical.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

(to Rebecca)

Good luck.

REBECCA

Wait, who are you?

PUBLIC DEFENDER

I'm your lawyer.

REBECCA

I can see that, but how did you get here?

PUBLIC DEFENDER

They picked me up on Earth years ago when they were  
collecting trash samples.

Alien Prosecutor steps forward.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, your honor we charge this human to be just like every  
other type of human. She is no different than the rest of  
their kind and therefore she will serve perfectly for our  
experiments.

KANE

Yes and dissections.

PROSECUTOR

Yes and dissections.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

(to the Judge)

Objection your honor.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, order, order. You'll get your chance. Defense please call your first witness.

REBECCA

Wait! Doesn't the prosecution have to go first?

All the aliens mock her by repeating her sentence in sing-song alien gibberish. Then the aliens laugh.

ALIEN JUDGE

(pounding gavel)

Yes, yes. Typical thing to say. Defense?

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Your honor, the Defense calls, Rebecca to the stand.

He encourages Rebecca to move to the front.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, hold up your right hand, do you-  
 (Alien gibberish)  
 bingle bingle flink flink gaw? And do you-  
 (Alien gibberish)  
 So trisle sock saw vahn-shul?

Rebecca looks around confused.

REBECCA

Uh...I do?

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, sit down.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Miss Rebecca you stated in your pretrial interview that you are different and that you are not like other humans. Please explain.

REBECCA

Yes, thank you. First of all I am a Christian. I go to church. And I believe the Bible. A lot of people don't believe those things, in fact a lot of people don't even believe in God. So I am totally the wrong person for this job.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Thank you. That was well stated. No further questions your honor.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, Prosecution, your witness.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, so Typical Human, you say you believe in the Bible, do you also believe this part?

(reading)

"Let no foul talk come out of your mouth except what will encourage others. Ephesians 4:29"

REBECCA

Yes of course, I never swear or say bad words.

PROSECUTOR

Yes and do you also believe this part?

(reading)

"You must submit and support the authorities over you. Romans 13:1"

REBECCA

Yes of course I always obey my leaders and I never get in any trouble.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, and do you also believe this part?

(reading)

"Giving is a greater blessing than receiving," Acts 20:35

REBECCA

Uh, yes. I put money in the offering plate all the time.

PROSECUTOR

Yes. Thank you. No further questions your honor.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

The Defense rests your honor.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, Typical Human you may step down.

Rebecca leaves the stand and  
returns to sit with her lawyer.

REBECCA

That's it? That's all you're going to do?

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Hey, I think you have a solid case, besides you're not paying me and I get an extra bowl of mizzle-meck whether I win or not.

REBECCA

Wow you really are trash.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, Prosecution you may call your first witness.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, thank you Your Honor, the Prosecution calls Kane and Kodos.

Kane and Kodos approach the stand.

ALIEN JUDGE

--Speaking in alien gibberish

KANE/KODOS

--Alien gibberish for "I do, so help me God

Kane and Kodos sit.

PROSECUTOR

--Alien gibberish

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Objection your honor. In English please.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, you two were given the assignment to find a human subject who is typical --someone to serve as a standard for the entire species.

KANE

Yes.

KODOS

Yes.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, and what were your findings?

KODOS

Yes. We found the subject with the title, "Rebecca," to be a perfect sample.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, a perfect sample, how so?

KANE

Yes, was like most humans.

KODOS

Yes. She used foul language just like everyone else.

PROSECUTOR

Yes, but she claims to be a Christian and therefore she is different. Did she use swear words like,

(Alien word)

"Shozbot."

Kane and Kodos giggle like school kids.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, order, order. Prosecutor watch you language!



PROSECUTOR

Yes. Yes, sorry your honor.

(to Kane and Kodos)

Please tell the court what you heard-

KODOS

Yes, she said another classmate was an idiot and was gross looking.

REBECCA

That's a lie!

PUBLIC DEFENDER

(lost in a bowl of mush, then  
jumping up)

Objection your honor. Lying.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, Yes, order, order. Prosecution I will need proof and not just hearsay.

PROSECUTOR

(to Kane and Kodos)

Do you have any evidence?

KANE

Yes.

KODOS

Yes.

Kane hands his gadget to the Prosecutor to watch a video. The Prosecutor shares the video with the Judge and Rebecca. Rebecca is shocked.

REBECCA

But I didn't say those things to her face, besides that girl is not very smart and, let's be honest, she is dirty.

Alien Judge bangs the gavel.

PROSECUTOR

(to Kane and Kodos)

Yes, please continue.

KANE

Yes and we also found that she does not obey her leaders.

KODOS

Yes. She is disobedient just like most people.

REBECCA

Wait! I never lie to my parents or teachers or anyone else.

Again the judge bangs the gavel.

KANE

Yes. Here is a video of her working at camp.

The Prosecutor watches then  
shares the video.

KODOS

Yes. She is supposed to be working in the dinning hall, but she was always sleeping in her cabin.

REBECCA

Uh! Not always!

PROSECUTOR

Yes, go on-

KANE

Yes. And we also found her to be greedy.

KODOS

Yes she told a person who needed help that she did not have any extra money to buy them food.

REBECCA

I didn't!

The Prosecutor shares the video.

KANE

Yes she is saying she has no money while holding a seven dollar Frap-a-cino.

REBECCA

That's not fair! He asked for EXTRA money! If I bought that man something then I wouldn't have Starbucks money the next day.

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, order, order.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Redirect your honor?

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

Kane and Kodos, did you or did you not hear the defendant, my client, say that she was a Christian and that she was different.

KANE

Yes.

KODOS

Yes.

KANE

Yes, but just because a ske-wizzle zat says its a beetle bit-bop doesn't make it so. I mean,

(perfect English)

-am I right? Am I right?

All the aliens laugh.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

What about other footage? Can you show the court any footage of my client talking to God, reading his word or sharing God's story with other people?

Kane and Kodos calculate furiously on their gadgets. Then they both look up together.

KANE

Yes. No.

KODOS

Yes. No such footage exists.

REBECCA

What? That can't be true!?

ALIEN JUDGE

(pounding gavel)

Yes, yes, order, order.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

In Christianity a major component is to put others before yourself, so I ask you, and I will remind you that you are under oath, did you see any evidence when the defendant put others before herself?

Kane and Kodos put their heads down.

KANE

Yes.

KODOS

Yes.

The Lawyer looks back at Rebecca and smiles confidently.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

(back to Kane and Kodos)

Please tell the court what you witnessed.

KODOS

Yes. When we were going to take her for experimentation.

KANE

Yes. She told us that we should take another human instead.

KODOS

Yes. She put the human with the title, "Daniel," before herself.

KANE

Yes. She wanted us to dissect the Daniel and not her.

REBECCA

Wait! That's not fair!

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, order, order, I have my decision. Rebecca the human-  
(everyone stands)

This court finds you to be a typical specimen of the human race, you say ugly things, you rebel, and you are greedy and selfish just like most of the human race and therefore you are most suitable for our planet's experimentation.

KODOS

Yes. And dissections!

ALIEN JUDGE

Yes, yes, and dissections. This court is adjourned. Take her away!

Kane and Kodos throw a blanket over Rebecca. She verbally and physically objects but they drag her away. She screams and collapses to the floor.  
Blackout.

### PART 3

Lights up. Rebecca is still on the floor, under the blanket, and not moving. The Aliens are gone. The Courtroom is gone. Suddenly she sits up screaming. A friend (or parent) runs in.

PARENT/FRIEND

Hey, you ok? What's wrong?

Rebecca looks around confused, then realizes she is at home.

REBECCA

Nothing... nothing. It was just a dream.

Music plays. Rebecca falls to her knees in prayer. Lights Fade.

Slide on screen: "Dear friends, since you are resident aliens and foreigners in this world, I encourage you to separate yourselves from the evil desires that wage war within you. Live honorable lives as you mix with unbelievers, even though they accuse you of being evildoers. For they will see your beautiful works and have a reason to glorify God in the day He visits us. -1 Peter 2:11-12"