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CHARACTERS:

A young alien boy	Person 1
Little boy	Person 2
Mother	Person 3
Little girl	Person 4
Father	Person 5
Woman 1	Person 6
Woman 2	Husband
Woman 3	Wife
Woman 4	Boy
Manager	

A boy (the alien) is coming down the aisle. He looks perfectly normal, but confused. He acts like he doesn't know where he is. He keeps looking around and he is carrying a remote control. Finally, he stops near the front and speaks into the remote.

ALIEN: Okay, I'm here. Now what? No, I haven't talked to anybody yet. I just got here two hours ago. Oh, and I want to talk to someone about my landing gear. Yes, I remember my mission: find out what this thing called Christmas means. Yes, yes, I know--try not to let anyone see me. Okay, I'll check with you later. Over and out.

(A little boy has come out on stage and is sitting watching TV. His mother is over to the side, stirring something in a bowl.)

BOY: I want that! I want that!

MOTHER: You said you wanted the other truck set.

BOY: I want them both!

MOTHER: We'll have to see what Santa Claus brings.

ALIEN: (To the audience) Santa Claus?

(The little boy and mother exit. A father enters and sits. A little girl comes in and sits next to him.)

GIRL: Daddy?

FATHER: Yes, honey?

GIRL: Can I have a new Barbie for Christmas?

FATHER: Sure.

GIRL: A gold Barbie?

FATHER: Well, okay.

GIRL: And a silver Barbie?

FATHER: We'll see.

GIRL: And a holiday Barbie?

FATHER: Wait a minute.

GIRL: And a Happy New Year Barbie?

FATHER: Hold it!

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(He takes her hand and they start to leave as she keeps giving him her list.)

GIRL: And a Valentine Barbie and a St. Patrick's Day Barbie and a--)

ALIEN: (To audience) Barbie? (He takes out remote control and speaks into it.) It's me. Yeah, well, Christmas seems to be run by two people named Santa Claus and Barbie. No, I haven't met them yet. I've got to go! Someone's coming.

(A lot of people crowd onto the stage and in the aisles carrying shopping bags and packages. They are talking, pushing, shopping, etc. The alien stands to the side, watches, and takes notes.)

WOMAN 1: If I don't get my daughter that purple sweater for Christmas I might as well move out of the house.

WOMAN 2: Are you giving your Christmas party this year? It wouldn't be Christmas without it!

(The alien takes special note of that. The two women go off shopping. Two other women come to the front of the stage. They are both pulling on the same coat.)

WOMAN 3: I'm sorry, but I saw this first.

WOMAN 4: I don't think so! I picked this up while you were still over in the pantyhose.

WOMAN 3: Excuse me?! I have been planning on buying this coat for my son for weeks.

WOMAN 4: Well, I guess he'll just have to settle for some socks, won't he?

(They continue to pull on the coat until the store manager comes over.)

MANAGER: Ladies! Ladies! What seems to be the problem?

WOMAN 3: She's trying to steal my son's coat.

WOMAN 4: I am doing nothing of the sort!

MANAGER: We can't have this behavior in the store!

(Both women drop the coat and stomp off.)

MANAGER: Merry Christmas!

(Two people walk in and to the front.)

PERSON 1: Sounds wonderful!

PERSON 2: (Sighing and shaking his/her head.) I'll be as big as a house.

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