

# Place at the Table

Everybody in the diplomatic community was horrified, of course. Well, except for the ones who were secretly *that way* to begin with. They found it a relief to stop hiding.

But what could humanity do? The Galactics made it clear; there were certain characteristics and tendencies that were expected of interstellar diplomats. And since humanity had a higher percentage of people with those proclivities than other species, Earth was expected to encourage those proclivities, starting in grammar school -- and never mind certain groups' objections. So...

“OK, class, let’s begin! Everyone: please get out your dice, and roll for initiative.”

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