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Song Companion

Aliens

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A listening guide to the third track of Arirang.
Aliens: Different by nature, proud by choice.

MEET THE SONG

BEING DIFFERENT ISN'T SOMETHING TO APOLOGIZE FOR. IT'S SOMETHING TO OWN.

BTS turns the idea of being outsiders into a source of confidence. Rather than adapting to someone else's expectations, they embrace their Korean identity and invite the world into their culture.

1. CULTURAL PRIDE

Being Korean is central to who they are.

2. OUTSIDER CONFIDENCE

What makes them different is also what makes them stand out.

3. HUMOR AND ATTITUDE

The song uses playful teasing and swagger rather than delivering a serious lecture.

UNDERSTAND THE SONG

DIFFERENT BY NATURE

Suga establishes the attitude, dismissing the need to explain who they are. His reference to "civilians" adds a playful twist, contrasting the seven members who have completed their military service with everyone else.

J-Hope brings the energy, inviting listeners to clap, move, and dance. His message is simple: So what if we're different? Get into the rhythm.

COME INTO OUR WORLD

Jung Kook and V turn everyday Korean customs into a statement of cultural confidence. References to learning the Korean alphabet and removing your shoes at the door remind listeners that entering someone's world means respecting its traditions.

Jin and Jimin help turn the chorus into a collective declaration, while V's lyric of the sun rising in the East reinforces the pride of seeing the world from a Korean perspective.

THE MEANING BEHIND THE K

RM brings history and global recognition into the song. His reference to Kim Gu, a leader in Korea's independence movement and an advocate for Korean cultural identity, connects BTS's international success to a much older aspiration: seeing Korean culture recognized around the world.

The idea that everyone now knows what the "K" means reflects that change. Korean music and culture no longer need an introduction. What once required explanation is now globally recognized.

RM also turns criticism into confidence. A traditional expression about misfortune becoming good fortune suggests that even negativity can become fuel for success. His observation about the members' limited English fluency can also be read as a celebration of their Korean identity: they don't need to become Westernized to succeed.

LANDING AND LEAVING A MARK

In the closing section, RM, Suga, and J-Hope play with images of arrival and making an impression. Repeated references to stamping, landing, and standing evoke the image of arriving in unfamiliar territory and confidently claiming a place.



The rhythmic Korean count, 헛 둘 (heot dul), adds a marching, almost ceremonial quality. Like aliens arriving in a new world, BTS step onto the global stage without hesitation. They're here, they're standing their ground, and they're leaving their mark.

BTS doesn't need to become someone else to belong. They arrive as themselves, proudly Korean.

Seven Voices . One Stadium . Many Connections

FOLLOW THE VOICES

A member-by-member listening map: Use this as a guide while listening and singing along.

● RM ● Jin ● Suga ● J-Hope ● Jimin ● V ● Jungkook

● Suga: This gon' be the jam of the year (Ayy)

지루하고 따분해 모든 게 (모든 게) Everything's boring and dull (everything)

시간은 참 빨라 tick-tock, stadium 으로 집합 Time flies so fast, tick-tock, gather at the stadium

도대체 뭘 더 고민해? (고민해) What on earth are you still hesitating about? (hesitating)

태생부터 다른 seven aliens (Ayy, ayy) Different from birth, seven aliens (Ayy, ayy)

우릴 부러워하네 저 civilians (Ayy, ayy) They envy us, those civilians (Ayy, ayy)

굳이 설명하기 입 아파, stadium 으로 집합 No need to explain, it's a pain to even say it, just gather at the stadium

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● J-Hope: Hello, this your, hello, this your new honey

박수 쳐, 흔들어, 중모리 Clap your hands, move it, Jungmori rhythm

Oh, my God, do I look too funny?

뭐 어쩔래? Yeah, so what?

Just move for me, yeah, move for me

● JK & ● V: From the 가나 to the 하, 우리 보고 배워봐 From the "ga-na" to the "ha," watch us and learn (It's similar to saying "A to Z" in English.)

Yeah, we aliens

If you wanna hit my house, 신발은 벗어봐 If you wanna hit my house, take your shoes off

Yeah, we aliens

어쩜 그래 shameless How can you be like that, so shameless

예의를 차려 we aliens Show some manners, we're aliens

해는 동쪽에서 risin' The sun rises in the east

Aliens, aliens



● Jimin, ● Jin & ● Jungkook: Every night, every day (Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh)

뭐든 더 빠르게 (Ooh-ooh, ooh) Faster at everything

매일 밤새워대 (Ooh-ooh, ooh-ooh) We stay up all night, every night

Yeah, we livin' that aliens, aliens

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● RM: It goes, let me, honey, talk about the business

Everybody know now where the K is

어디까지 가니 이런 제길 How far are you gonna go, damn

저주하니 아직? 흉즉대길 Still cursing us? Bad luck turns to great fortune

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영어는 또 나밖에 못 해, but that is how we kill Once again, I'm the only one who speaks English, but that's how we kill it
눈만 또 허벌나게 큰 너희가 말하길 You guys, with nothing but big eyes, go around saying
Are they for real? For real?



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