

The States Collection – Missouri – Redbird!  
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CAST: 2 (1 male, 1 female)  
 Rosie (female); 18-25 – a Redbird! Not a redhead.  
 Breck (male); 18-25 – not a baseball fan

PLACE: St. Louis, MO  
 TIME: Late Summer  
 SYNOPSIS: Baseball is life  
 TAG: romantic comedy, city, Missouri

(Lights up at an assigned meeting place in St. Louis, MO. ROSIE is looking around.  
 BRECK is looking around. They lock eyes and think, “Yep, that’s the person.”)

Rosie?	BRECK
Breck!	ROSIE
BRECK Great to meet you.	ROSIE Nice to finally meet.
Soooo... not a redhead.	BRECK
No. You saw the photo/	ROSIE
/which said “Redbird.”	BRECK
Oh, I’m totally a Redbird. In fact – this is your lucky day. Not only do you get to go on a date with me – I have tickets to a Cardinals game! <i>It’s the playoffs!</i>	ROSIE
Oh.	BRECK
I’ll try again. “ <i>I have tickets to a Cardinals game. The playoffs!</i> ”	ROSIE
I hate baseball.	BRECK

ROSIE

But baseball is life.

BRECK

It's a sleeper. Nothing going on.

ROSIE

It's as American as apple pie and the Gateway Arch!

BRECK

Women really only go to look at the players butts in uniform.

ROSIE

I'll only do that during the line-up. Promise.

BRECK

I do have connections to the St. Louis Orchestra. They're doing Beethoven's First Symphony tonight. It's life-changing.

ROSIE

Not interested in seeing first symphonies. They're never as good as the last one.

BRECK

I can't sit through strikes and outs and out of bounds...

ROSIE

Foul. That's called a foul.

BRECK

"Fair is foul and foul is fair."

ROSIE

Not in baseball. It's cut and dry.

BRECK

Then why are there so many arguments on the pitcher's mound?

ROSIE

It's theatre. People like conflict. Give it a try. There will be music. They play "Meet Me in St. Louis at the opening. Very artistic.

BRECK

Classic.

ROSIE

It's fine if you don't want to go. It IS the playoffs. I could sell this baby for a couple of hundred bucks.

BRECK

And if I don't like it – you'll try out the St. Louis Orchestra.

ROSIE

Only if they don't make it into the series. But they will. I acknowledge two seasons. Baseball and winter.

BRECK

It looks like we don't have as much in common as we thought.

ROSIE

Stuff in common is overrated. Let's see what we can learn from each other. But first – take me out to the ballgame.

BRECK

Take me out to the crowd...

ROSIE

Buy me some peanuts and cracker jacks...

BRECK

I'm going to learn about baseball hacks...

(THEY exit.)

END OF PLAY