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Short 08

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SC. 1 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - STARLIGHT'S OFFICE - DAY

STARLIGHT GLIMMER sits in her office, fixing a KITE shaped like a CUPCAKE. There's a gentle <KNOCK> at the door.

Starlight uses her magic to open it, REVEALING that TWILIGHT SPARKLE is standing on the other side, about to go.

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1 STARLIGHT GLIMMER
Oh, hey Twilight. Did you knock?

Twilight blushes and looks to either side of the hallway, embarrassed. She steps inside.

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2 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
No. I mean, yes. I mean...Am I
interrupting something? I'll come
back later.

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3 STARLIGHT GLIMMER
No, stay! I was just fixing Pinkie
Pie's kite.

Twilight is super-distracted. She searches the shelves and looks below furniture. Starlight raises an eyebrow.

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4 STARLIGHT GLIMMER (CONT'D)
Uh... is everything okay?

Twilight lets out a weird, crazed <CHUCKLE>.

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5 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(whispering)
Well, since you asked - there is a
little tiny something bothering me!

Starlight gestures to the COUCH/CHAIR and motions for Twilight to sit down. She does.

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6 STARLIGHT GLIMMER
Then you've come to the right
counsellor.

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7 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh wow. This is actually kind of
embarrassing, but...

Twilight hesitates. Starlight gives her a reassuring smile-

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8 STARLIGHT GLIMMER
But...

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9 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
The thing is, I'm terrified of...
of...

CUT TO:

SC. 2 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - HALLWAY - MONTAGE

A smiling Twilight approaches YONA YAK, whose back is turned as she looks at the school BULLETIN BOARD. Yona turns around, holding a LADYBUG in her hoof.

ANGLE ON the cute bug.

Twilight TAKES, and flies backward, her wings sending up a huge GUST of WIND. The papers from the bulletin board rip off and fly everywhere. Yona is confused.

Sc. 3 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - DINING HALL - MONTAGE

Twilight sits down by SMOLDER and GALLUS (who have bowls of pudding) with a TRAY OF fruit.

Twilight sits, smiling at the students, then FREEZES in horror when she sees:

ZOOM - LADYBUGS crawling on the table near the students (not near the food / trays).

Twilight jumps into the air in terror and flies off, just as before. Her frantic wing-beats knock over the student's bowls of pudding on them - <SPLOOSH!> (The ladybugs are okay.)

SC. 4 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - LIBRARY - MONTAGE

SILVERSTREAM scans a library shelf. Twilight smiles and floats a book toward Silverstream...

Then FREEZES, seeing a LADYBUG on Silverstream's shoulder.

Twilight flaps her wings violently in her escape.

A MINI-TORNADO rips across the shelves! Books rain down as Silverstream gapes.

SC. 5 - INT. STARLIGHT'S OFFICE - RESUME

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10 STARLIGHT GLIMMER
Ladybugs...? Like the cute, little red
beetle-things with black spots?

16 (17)

11 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
When I was a filly, a swarm of them
got into our house.
(MORE)

16 (17)

TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)

Shining Armor told me that their spots were extra eyes, watching you wherever you go. So creepy... <shudder>

(then)

Ever since Fluttershy assigned the students that ladybug care project, they're everywhere.

Starlight uses magic to float a book over to Twilight.

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TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)

What's this?

(reading the title)

"Magical Hypnosis for Phobias: A Beginner's Guide."

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STARLIGHT GLIMMER

I've been studying the techniques. Wanna give it a shot?

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TWILIGHT SPARKLE

(nodding)

If I don't get over my fear, my wings are going to blow the whole school down!

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STARLIGHT GLIMMER

Okay! All you have to do is keep your eyes on the star.

Magic shoots from her horn and creates a small, GLOWING STAR. It swings from side to side like a pendulum.

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STARLIGHT GLIMMER (CONT'D)

You should begin to feel sleepy any moment... Just listen to the sound of my voice...

Twilight's eyes begin to droop until they are shut.

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STARLIGHT GLIMMER (CONT'D)

Instead of being afraid when you see a ladybug, you will now have--

PINKIE PIE bursts into the room, interrupting excitedly.

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PINKIE PIE

KITE FLYING TIME! WOOHOOO!

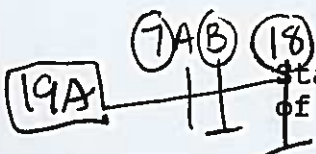
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TWILIGHT SPARKLE

(mumbling to herself)

Ladybug... kite flying time... woo... hoo.


 Starlight facehoofs. The star dissipates. Twilight snaps out of her hypnosis, groggy.

CUT TO:

SC. 6 - EXT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - FRONT LAWN - LATER


 PINKIE PIE and STARLIGHT GLIMMER watch from the front steps as Twilight gallops out to the front lawn, yelling as she tosses a LADYBUG KITE in the air.

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20 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)

(far away yelling)

Can't see me now, huh? What's wrong,
got clouds in your eye spots? <crazy
laughter> (20A)

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21 PINKIE PIE

Wow! Twilight really likes her new
kite! But why does she keep yelling
at it to stop looking at her?

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STARLIGHT GLIMMER
<sigh>

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