

MY LITTLE PONY
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INT. TWILIGHT'S LIBRARY - DAY

TWILIGHT

Sweetie Belle, maybe we should run through the steps another few times before you try it on your own.

SWEETIE BELLE

Nope. Ready to give it a shot.

TWILIGHT

(skeptical)

Okay then.

SWEETIE BELLE

Can't... seem... to...

(then, giving up)

Ouch! I think I threw my neck out.

SCOOTALOO

Aw, you're okay.

APPLEBLOOM

A little more magic practice and lifting brooms'll be a cinch.

SWEETIE BELLE

I doubt it. That thing weighs a ton!

SPIKE

Hey, has anypony here seen my - ?

(then)

Oh there it is.

SWEETIE BELLE

Hmph. I'll *never* get my cutie mark for this.

TWILIGHT

Maybe not. But I'm happy to keep helping you learn just for the fun of it as long you like.

SPIKE

Hey, who's gonna clean up this mess?

SCOOTALOO

This is no mess! These are the carefully arranged pieces of a unicycle I took apart and will be putting back together... as soon as Twilight shows me how.

TWILIGHT

Scootaloo, I already told you I won't show you how. But I'll help you find the instructions so you can figure it out yourself.

SCOOTALOO
(off Twilight's look)
Blech, I hate research.

TWILIGHT
To your left, third shelf from the
bottom. You'll find it in no time.

APPLEBLOOM
Thanks so much for helping us all
learn these new skills, Twilight.

TWILIGHT
Always glad to pass on my love of
learning for learning's sake.

APPLEBLOOM
Only I'm afraid I'll never get the
hang of this potion-making.

TWILIGHT
Did you follow the magic
plant-growing formula I gave you?

APPLEBLOOM
Well, uh... more or less...

TWILIGHT
Hmm. More or less, huh? Well, let's
try it out on this apple seedling and
see how we do.

APPLEBLOOM
(mixing formula)
Ooh, I hope this works!

APPLEBLOOM (CONT'D)
(to plant)
Laying it on a little thick, aren't we
pal?

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

EXT. SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - NEXT MORNING

DIAMOND TIARA
Yoo hoo! Gather round! It's time!

DIAMOND TIARA
As you all know, I had promised to put
on an amazing first-time-ever
acrobatic display for you all today.

CROWD OF KIDS
<CHEERS>

DIAMOND TIARA
I know. It's so exciting. But I'm
tired.

CROWD OF KIDS
<AWWWW>

DIAMOND TIARA
But I did not wish to disappoint you
all, so I brought my butler Randolph
to do them for me.

CROWD OF KIDS
<CHEERS>

SILVER SPOON
Wow! That was amazing, Diamond
Tiara.

DIAMOND TIARA
I know. I don't know how I do it.

APPLEBLOOM
I can't believe she gets so much
attention without even really doing
anything.

SCOOTALOO
She's using somepony else to build
herself up. And without even putting
in the effort to learn her own skills
like we do.

SWEETIE BELLE
Hey, come to think of it, if we get
really good at the stuff Twilight's
teaching us, we could be the big shots
around here for a change.

ALL THE CMCS
(considering this)
Hmm...

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - FANTASY

SCOOTALOO
Check this out.

APPLEBLOOM
And check this out.

SWEETIE BELLE
And check this out.

DIAMOND TIARA
Hey! Put me down!

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - BACK TO SCENE

DIAMOND TIARA
Hey, can't you hear me?

SWEETIE BELLE
(snapping out of it)
Huh? Wha?

DIAMOND TIARA
I was asking if your sister Rarity
will be taking you to Manehattan
anytime soon.

SILVER SPOON
Because if she is maybe you can meet
up with us while we hang out with a
bunch of famous celebrities.

SCOOTALOO
Cool!

APPLEBLOOM
(surprised)
Wow that's... pretty nice of you guys.

SWEETIE BELLE
Actually, my sister hasn't offered to
take me to Manehattan anytime soon.

DIAMOND TIARA
Yeah, we figured.

DIAMOND TIARA/SILVER SPOON
Bump. Bump. Sugarlump. Rump.
<GIGGLES>

SWEETIE BELLE
Oh yeah, well, I don't have to go all
the way to Manehattan to hang out with
the famous and super-cool ponies.
Me and my friends hang out with
Princess Twilight all the time!

DIAMOND TIARA
D-d-d-did you say "Princess
Twilight?" You hang out with her all
the time? For reals?

APPLEBLOOM
More like once a week.

SCOOTALOO

She helps us learn cool new stuff to
do. That we actually do.
(pointedly)
Ourselves.

DIAMOND TIARA

You must bring me along next time you
go!

SILVER SPOON

Bring *us* along!

DIAMOND TIARA

I mean we used to see her around town
all the time. And I thought
whatever.

SILVER SPOON

Me too. I thought that.

DIAMOND TIARA

But now she's a *Princess*, which makes
her totally awesome.

SILVER SPOON

Plus she has wings.

DIAMOND TIARA

And she's an Alicorn. So can I?

SILVER SPOON

We?

DIAMOND TIARA

Go?

APPLEBLOOM

I don't think we should -

SWEETIE BELLE

Won't you two excuse us a moment?

SWEETIE BELLE (CONT'D)

We should totally say yes. This is a
golden opportunity!

APPLEBLOOM

Are you kidding? I don't want them
laughing at us while I'm mixing
potions and accidentally sendin'
plants into choking fits!

SWEETIE BELLE

But don't you get it? They'll have to
learn something, too.

DIAMOND TIARA
Princess Twilight, it is such a thrill
and honor to be here, you have no idea.

DIAMOND TIARA
Oh my gosh, who dyes your tail?

SILVER SPOON
I so have to get that done.

TWILIGHT
Actually, it's not dyed. I've always
-

DIAMOND TIARA
Oh, are those book in there? What a
bold design choice.

SILVER SPOON
You should so do that Di.

DIAMOND TIARA
I know right.

SILVER SPOON
You should totally be that purple, Di.

DIAMOND TIARA
Totally.
(to Twilight)
Is there someone you recommend I see
about that? You know, about being
purpler?

TWILIGHT
I'm sorry, there must be some
misunderstanding. Did you two come
here to learn something?

APPLEBLOOM
Oh yeah, they did come to learn.

APPLEBLOOM (CONT'D)
They were just telling us outside how
much they wanted to...

SCOOTALOO
... learn how to ...

DIAMOND TIARA
Decorate!

ALL THE CMCS
Yes!

DIAMOND TIARA
All the books you have in here make
great decorations. Very regal.

SILVER SPOON
So have to try that.

TWILIGHT

Um, they're not really decorations.
I actually read them.

TWILIGHT (CONT'D)

Say, tell you what - I'll try to think
up some good decorating tips while I
help these other ponies.

DIAMOND TIARA

Sure, you go ahead. We can just
admire you here from afar.

TWILIGHT

What's going on with your friends?

SWEETIE BELLE

They're not really our friends.

TWILIGHT

So why did you bring them?

APPLEBLOOM

(sheepish)

No good reason, really.

TWILIGHT

Listen, I'm all for helping as many
ponies as I can, but maybe we should
keep these weekly visits just between
us, hmm?

(then, brightly)

Okay, which one of you wants to
practice first?

SWEETIE BELLE

(re: Diamond Tiara and
Silver Spoon)

Shouldn't they go first?

TWILIGHT

No silly, I set up Twilight Time
especially for you.

(then)

Applebloom, go ahead. Let's see how
your plant potions are coming.

INT. SCHOOL - NEXT DAY

APPLEBLOOM

I can't believe I let you talk us into
bringing guests yesterday.

SCOOTALOO

I didn't hear them laugh once,
Applebloom.

APPLEBLOOM
Because they laughed on the inside.

SWEETIE BELLE
Don't worry. We won't make that same
mistake again.

EXT. SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - CONTINUOUS

APPLEBLOOM
Oh great. Look who showed up to make
fun of us.

SCOOTALOO
So much for learning skills to be big
shots.

DIAMOND TIARA
Hey, guess what! I told everyone
about your special Twilight time -

SWEETIE BELLE
(bracing self)
Oh no... here it comes...

DIAMOND TIARA
- and they all want in!

ALL THE PONIES
<CHEERS>

DIAMOND TIARA
Thanks to me you three are now the
hottest thing around. You're
welcome.

SILVER SPOON
(leading chant)
Twilight Time!

CROWD OF KIDS
(joining in)
Twilight Time! Twilight Time!

SWEETIE BELLE
Uh oh.

FADE OUT.

FADE IN:

INT. SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - SAME TIME

CROWD OF KIDS
Twilight time! Twilight time!

SWEETIE BELLE

Wow - all these ponies really want to meet Twilight that badly?

PIP SQUEAK

We love you, Cutie Mark Crusaders!

CROWD OF KIDS

<CHEERS>

DIAMOND TIARA

Now now, everypony. Demanding time with a Princess as an unruly mob simply won't do. Might I suggest you get organized through us, the Cutie Mark Crusaders' nearest and dearest friends?

SILVER SPOON

Everypony get it line. No pushing. No pushing!

APPLEBLOOM

What a mess.

SWEETIE BELLE

Of awesome! Don't you see... we're really and truly and certifiably the biggest of the big shots in school right now.

SCOOTALOO

Huh?

SWEETIE BELLE

They all think we're the greatest because we're their ticket to get time with Ponyville's newest and biggest celebrity: Princess Twilight.

APPLEBLOOM

We just said like two seconds ago that inviting two ponies to Twilight Time was a big mistake... and now we're supposed to bring the whole class??

SWEETIE BELLE

Relax. I got this.

EXT. SWEET SHOPPE - DAY

APPLEBLOOM

I don't like this, Sweetie Belle.

SWEETIE BELLE
You said not to invite them to
Twilight Time and I didn't, so what's
the problem?

SCOOTALOO
This feels like a trick.

SWEETIE BELLE
What's tricky about inviting Twilight
out for a meal thanking her for all the
nice things she's done for us? Seems
like the least we can do the Princess.

PIP SQUEAK
Did someone say Princess?

SWEETIE BELLE
When I told you when you could come
eyeball the Princess at one of her
favorite hangouts, I said only two or
three of you tops.

ALL THE KIDS
Oops.

SCOOTALOO
(hoarse whisper)
She's coming.

SWEETIE BELLE
(to hidden crowd)
Okay, but stay out of sight.

DIAMOND TIARA
As you wish, Sweetie Belle.

SWEETIE BELLE
(liking this)
Yes. As I wish.

TWILIGHT
Sorry I'm late. Today's been so busy
I've barely eaten a thing.

INT. SWEET SHOPPE - A LITTLE LATER

TWILIGHT
(mouth full)
I didn't realize how hungry I was, I'm
so glad you all asked me to join you
here today. I'm so honored.

SWEETIE BELLE
You are?

TWILIGHT

When you first asked me to help you develop new skills, I thought: working with young students so devoted to the joy of learning purely for its own sake? What could be better? You all remind me of myself when I was your age.

SWEETIE BELLE

Yes, well, we feel the same way.

APPLEBLOOM

That's why we invited you here.

SCOOTALOO

Because of our love of learning.

TWILIGHT

(mouth full)

Mmm, this stuff is delicious.

(to Mrs. Cake, re: plate)

More of whatever this was, please.

(to CMCS)

Come on, eat up. Am I the only one with an appetite here?

SWEETIE BELLE

We all had big breakfasts, I guess.

ALL THE CMCS

(alarmed)

Twilight!

TWILIGHT

Uh huh? What is it?

APPLEBLOOM

(re: her full plate)

Want some of mine?

PINKIE PIE

Twilight! Haven't seen you here in, like, forever-and-a-half!

TWILIGHT

I know. I've been so busy I forgot how delicious everything is here.

PINKIE PIE

Totally!

(then, re: crowd outside)

Hey, what's going on out there?

PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)

Nevermind. They're gone.

PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
They're back!

PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Nevermind. They're gone.
(then, skipping away)
La la la la la.

APPLEBLOOM
(through clenched teeth)
Knock it off...

TWILIGHT
(getting up)
What is the world is going on out?

APPLEBLOOM
(mocks Scootaloo's poses)
What was all this? And this?

SCOOTALOO
I couldn't help it. When I don't
smile in a picture I look sad.

SWEETIE BELLE
Oh, we're gonna look sad all right.

EXT. SWEET SHOPPE - SAME TIME

TWILIGHT
Uh can I help you?

ALL THE KIDS
<ENTHUSIASTIC CLAMOR>

DIAMOND TIARA
Get my picture with her!

PIP SQUEAK
Me first!

SILVER SPOON
(to Pip Squeak)
Hey, get out of the shot!

INT. SWEET SHOPPE - SAME TIME

SWEETIE BELLE
This is bad.

SCOOTALOO
Twi's gonna be so ticked at us.

APPLEBLOOM
I told you this was a terrible idea.

EXT. SWEET SHOPPE - MOMENTS LATER

TWILIGHT
You seriously all want my autograph??
But... why?

TWILIGHT
Okay, I'll sign just a couple more for
you kids but then I really must get
back to my little friends.

TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Oh there you are.

PIP SQUEAK
Wow, to think I've been to the Hay
Burger so many times never knowing it
was the regular hangout for a
Princess!

TWILIGHT
This isn't my regular hang out.
(re: CMCS)
I'm only here to be with them.

PIP SQUEAK
Y-y-y-you mean, Princess Twilight
decides where it's cool to go based
on... where *they* go?

ALL THE CMCS
(bewildered)
Wha - ?

TWILIGHT
Thanks guys this was fun, see you
around.

DIAMOND TIARA
(to Silver Spoon)
My my, look who just became
superstars.

INT. SCHOOL - DAY

DIAMOND TIARA
This is terrible.

SILVER SPOON
I was totally thinking the same thing.
(then, at a loss)
Why was I thinking that?

DIAMOND TIARA
Because now everypony wants to be with
the Cutie Mark Crusaders so badly
we've lost complete control of the

situation! We better act fast if we want to worm our way into their inner circle first.

DIAMOND TIARA (CONT'D)
(to Sweetie Belle)
May I carry your books?

SILVER SPOON
(to Scootaloo)
May I carry yours?

PIP SQUEAK
Gimme!

EXT. SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - LATER

PIP SQUEAK
(in line)
Great! I'm next!

APPLEBLOOM
This is the worst game of four square ever.

SCOOTALOO
Is it? Or is it the awesomest?

SWEETIE BELLE
We're celebrities now. Get with the program, A. B.

APPLEBLOOM
Who's A.B.?

SWEETIE BELLE
You are. It's your new celebrity nickname.

SCOOTALOO
Because you're friends with P.T.

APPLEBLOOM
Princess... Twilight...

SCOOTALOO
Maybe being friends with P.T. is what we're meant to get our Cutie Marks for.

SWEETIE BELLE
(posing for photo)
Say celbre-cheese!

SILVER SPOON
But what if they still don't invite us back for Twilight Time?

DIAMOND TIARA
Don't worry. I've got that all
figured out.

PIP SQUEAK
I'm opening a new lemonade stand.
Won't you come to the grand opening?
(off her hesitation)
I'll give you free lemonade for a
week.

SWEETIE BELLE
Relax. I know exactly how to handle
this.

EXT. PONYVILLE - LEMONADE STAND - DAY

CROWD OF KIDS
<CHEERS>

EXT. PONYVILLE - LEMONADE STAND - A LITTLE LATER

PIP SQUEAK
(with tray)
More lemonade.

SWEETIE BELLE
Don't mind if I do.

CLASSMATE PONY #2
Done shining your hooves. It's an
honor to do you a favor.

SCOOTALOO
Wow, so bright I can see myself.

APPLEBLOOM
And so can I. Nice job bedazzling my
bow. What do I owe you?

CLASSMATE PONY #3
Your gratitude is thanks enough.

DIAMOND TIARA
You three must come to my pool party.
It'll be much cooler than this.

SWEETIE BELLE
Look who's inviting who to her fancy
house.

APPLEBLOOM
I believe we have arrived, Cutie Mark
Crusaders.

EXT. DIAMOND TIARA'S BACKYARD - LATER

SWEETIE BELLE
Wow, this is nice, but there's no one else here. Why is this party cooler exactly.

DIAMOND TIARA
Because of all the ponies we're keeping out.

SWEETIE BELLE
(climbing out)
This has been great, but we have to go. It's Twilight Time.

DIAMOND TIARA
So we're coming too, right?

SWEETIE BELLE
Actually no. We didn't have a chance to ask Twilight, so...

DIAMOND TIARA
Really? After all the favors we did for you?
(re: ponies outside)
After all the favors they did for you?

CLASSMATE PONY #3
Twilight Time!

ALL THE PONIES
Twilight Time! Twilight Time!
Twilight Time!

SWEETIE BELLE
Okay. I know exactly how to handle this... run!!

EXT. DIAMOND TIARA'S BACKYARD - MOMENTS LATER

SCOOTALOO
We got to beat them to Twilight's so we can explain.

SWEETIE BELLE
This way. I know a short cut.

CROWD OF KIDS
Twilight time! Twilight time!

EXT. PONYVILLE - VARIOUS

EXT. TWILIGHT'S LIBRARY - LATER

SWEETIE BELLE
(wheezing)
We made - it - quick - knock on -

SWEETIE BELLE (CONT'D)
Twilight, we can explain.

APPLEBLOOM
We know you said we should keep
Twilight Time to us.

SCOOTALOO
We didn't mean for so many other
ponies to be here. Honest!

TWILIGHT
(breezy and kind)
Oh don't be silly. I only meant that
for your benefit, so you could get the
most out of our time together. But if
you want to share your time with
others that's fine.

SCOOTALOO
So you're not mad.

TWILIGHT
Of course not. Come on in,
everypony. Spike made nachos.

INT. TWILIGHT'S LIBRARY - CONTINUOUS

TWILIGHT
Spike, turns out we'll need some more
than that.

SPIKE (CONT'D)
(shellshocked)
Eep...

INT. TWILIGHT'S KITCHEN - A MOMENT LATER

INT. TWILIGHT'S LIBRARY - MOMENTS LATER

TWILIGHT
(shouting over ruckus)
Before we start we should maybe get a
bit more organized.
(then, pointing)
Ponies interested in magic in this
corner... ponies who want to learn
potions over here... bookworm ponies
over there...

APPLEBLOOM

Incredible. Looks like everything's working out just fine.

SCOOTALOO

And I was so afraid Twilight would be disappointed in us.

SWEETIE BELLE

Told you I knew exactly how to handle all this.

TWILIGHT

Thanks to all of you for taking time out to come learn new things.

DIAMOND TIARA

Thank you, Princess!

SILVER SPOON

We love you, Princess!

ALL THE PONIES

<ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERING>

TWILIGHT

Okay okay, let's settle down. If you want to thank anypony, thank the Cutie Mark Crusaders for so generously sharing this time.

ALL THE PONIES

<MORE ENTHUSIASTIC CHEERING>

SWEETIE BELLE

It was nothing, really. We just felt it was the right thing to do.

DIAMOND TIARA

(under her breath)

Hmph. What a laugh.

TWILIGHT

Let's begin over here.

(to Adorable Little Pony)

And what would you like to learn, little one?

PIP SQUEAK

I want to learn how to become a Cutie Mark Crusader.

TWILIGHT

And why do you want to become a Cutie Mark Crusader so badly, hmm?

PIP SQUEAK

Because then I could get all my classmates to do me favors and stuff because I'm friends with a famous Princess.

SWEETIE BELLE

Hoo boy.

TWILIGHT

Is this true?

SWEETIE BELLE

We wanted our time together just as a way to be with you and learn new things. Really and truly.

TWILIGHT

Prove it.

SWEETIE BELLE

Huh?

TWILIGHT

If that's true then I'm sure you've all been practicing your skills over the past week. Show me how much better you got.

APPLEBLOOM

Oh. Uh... well, we... can't.

SCOOTALOO

We kind of rushed over and forgot to bring our stuff.

TWILIGHT

Hmm. I see.

SWEETIE BELLE

No wait!

SWEETIE BELLE

(addressing crowd)

Hey everypony, you're in luck. You came to learn, but instead you're getting dinner and a show! Get ready, 'cause we, the Cutie Mark Crusaders, are about to lay on you the amazing skills we learned in Twilight Time!

SWEETIE BELLE (CONT'D)

Unfortunately, since we don't have Scootaloo's unicycle parts, she'll take apart and put back together one of the scooters from outside.

PIP SQUEAK
Hey, that's my scooter!

SCOOTALOO
(sotto)
You got us into this mess, kid. Might
wanna roll with us.

SWEETIE BELLE
(still to crowd)
Applebloom doesn't have her apple
seedling, so she'll just grab an apple
from the kitchen.

SWEETIE BELLE (CONT'D)
And I will begin by using my magic to
lift this broom.

SCOOTALOO
(hops on assembled bike)
Ta da!

APPLEBLOOM
(pouring potions)
Become a tree!

SWEETIE BELLE
(zapping broom)
Rise!

SWEETIE BELLE (CONT'D)
That... didn't turn out quite how I
had hoped...

TWILIGHT
(sad yet firm)
Looks like Twilight Time is over.

DIAMOND TIARA
And look who's not the Princess'
entourage anymore.

ALL THE KIDS
Ooooooh!

SILVER SPOON
Guess they didn't come here to learn
after all.

ALL THE KIDS
Ooooooh!

TWILIGHT
Well... neither did any of you.

SWEETIE BELLE
We're really sorry, Twilight. We
made a huge mistake.

APPLEBLOOM

And we really and truly did enjoy
learning new skills with you.

SCOOTALOO

Guess we'll just have to keep on doing
it without you now. Thanks,
Twilight.

APPLEBLOOM

Thanks.

SWEETIE BELLE

Thanks.

TWILIGHT

Sweetie Belle?

(as they all turn)

Remember a moment ago when you asked
me to "give you a chance?"

SPIKE

Aw!! C'mon!

INT. TWILIGHT'S LIBRARY - LATER

SWEETIE BELLE (V.O.)

Well I guess Twilight must not be so
super upset anymore 'cause she's
letting us do a diary entry like our
sisters do. Boy, did we get our
priorities mixed up. We started
acting special because we were
friends with someone special. We
almost forgot the real reason she's
special: because she's our friend.
But she forgave us and, like magic,
things are good as new. That's the
kind of magic I really want to get good
at... now that I'm getting so good at
the other kind.

TWILIGHT

Wow, all three of you have made so much
progress. I'm really proud of you!
See you next time.

SWEETIE BELLE

(finishing entry)

We're just glad Twilight Time is back
to normal. Well... almost back to
normal...

SWEETIE BELLE (CONT'D)

(as they exit)

I just hope no one sees us.

APPLEBLOOM

Because we're trying to keep Twilight
Time a secret now?

SCOOTALOO

Or because we look ridiculous?

SWEETIE BELLE

A little of both, actually.

END.