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The CMC's are wrapping things up with yet another pony who was confused about their cutie mark. Things have been going GREAT since they got their "CMC cutie marks." They've really embraced their new role and feel like they could handle absolutely ANYthing that comes along. That changes when a young griffon shows up at the clubhouse and tells them he doesn't know what to do with his life and is looking for direction. He's heard about the CMC's all the way back in Griffonstone and how they give ponies cutie marks to tell them what to do with their lives. So he's come to ask them to use their magic to give HIM a cutie mark! The CMC's explain that he didn't get it EXACTLY right. They just help ponies understand their cutie marks. No pony can give you one, it's just something that happens. The griffon begs them to help him figure out how to make it happen for him. The CMC's discuss and decide that even though they have no idea what to do, it's their duty to at least try to help.

They take the griffon to Twilight to ask her if she could help with some magic. Twilight reminds them of what's happened in the past when cutie marks and magic get involved. It NEVER works out right. Twilight is just as stumped. She doesn't know that there's ever been a case of any creature besides ponies having cutie marks. The CMC's decide that they should help the griffon figure out what he's good at. Maybe then he will at least know what to do with his life. They go through a series of trials (as we've seen them do so many times before) to see what the griffon excels at: lifting with Bulk Biceps, a science experiment with Dr. Whooves, bowling with the bowling ponies, etc. The problem is, he excels at EVERYthing. He's always optimistic, a good listener, helpful and catches on quickly in every single instance. The CMCs are stumped. He's so good that this could go on forever! They were feeling so great about being able to tackle ANY problem, but it looks like this time they're total failures. They apologize to the griffon for not being able to do their job and head back to the clubhouse dejected.

The griffon feels so terrible for them that he paints a cutie mark on his butt and rushes over to tell them that they AREN'T failures! It WORKED! But the paint rubs off, revealing the truth. The CMC's ask why he faked it, isn't he upset? He says he felt more upset about them thinking they failed than he did about not knowing what to do with himself. Applebloom realizes that in each instance where he was trying to be good at something, part of the reason that he excelled was that he was so helpful and compassionate with everypony he was working with. They ask him what he felt like helping them to feel better. He admits it made him feel really good and that he's always liked making others feel better about themselves. The CMC's explain that finding your destiny isn't about being good at something, it's about doing something that makes you feel good inside. And it looks like the griffon's destiny is much like theirs, to help other griffons! He doesn't need a cutie mark to tell him that! But, since they ARE the CMC's they make him one anyways, a cutie mark made of cardboard and glitter to commemorate the moment he figured out what he should do with his life! They throw him a cutiecinera and everypony and everygriffon is happy.