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Twilight starts a friendship lesson by presenting Starlight Glimmer with a multitude of ways to learn about the The History of Ponyville. Starlight asks if there isn't just a book she can read. Twilight admit there is, but wanted to give Starlight all the options since she knows that different ponies learn differently. She challenges Starlight to find the most effective way for her to learn the wisdom of their forefillies.

Eager to impress her new teacher, Starlight commits to going above and beyond the basic assignment. She scours the library of the Castle of the Two Sisters for a spell that will enable her to learn everything there is to know about Ponyville in one fell swoop. In a secret chamber behind a sliding bookcase, she finds just that.

She performs the spell and... nothing happens. She doesn't feel any smarter and doesn't know the answers to any of the questions when Spike quizzes her on her homework. She explains her frustration to the young dragon and he tells her that she's lucky the spell didn't work. If there's one thing he's learned, it's to steer clear of spell books in secret chambers. Besides, instead of using magic to become the smartest pony in town, she should just read the book that she and Twilight talked about.

Spike leaves her to it, but as he walks through town everypony he meets starts forgetting the simplest things as they talk. Their eyes glaze over and they all wander around, clueless. Spike tries to find Twilight, but the same thing's happened to her. He realizes that Starlight's spell worked, but made her the smartest pony in town by draining everypony else's knowledge away.

Spike returns to Starlight, and the two of them try to figure out what happened to all the pony knowledge. Starlight shows him where she found the spell book but it's gone. They pore over every other book in the library, but to no avail. Finally Starlight thinks of the one book she hasn't read, The History of Ponyville.

As Starlight reads the life story of every pony in town, now magically inscribed in the book, their memories and knowledge return to them. Starlight apologizes to Twilight for trying to hard to impress her and admits that sometimes her drive to overachieve can land her in situations that are out of her depth. Twilight admits that she understands all too well.