

MY LITTLE PONY
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Friendship Retreat

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Starlight plans on spending the day practicing tricks and spells with Trixie because Twilight has organized a friendship retreat for the mane 6. Twilight says she can't remember the last time they all just hung out without having to save Equestria! Starlight tells Twilight, this is a much deserved break and she'll look after the castle while Twilight is gone. But when Trixie makes Twilight's map table disappear during one of her tricks and nonchalantly says that she can't get it back, Starlight's temper gets the best of her. Rather than blow up on Trixie, Starlight opts to enchant a necklace to take in all her anger. Spike tries to warn her that this may not be a wise choice but Starlight insists it's harmless and the best way to get Twilight's map table back and keep Trixie as a friend.

Meanwhile, we reveal that Twilight's idea of a friendship retreat isn't the relaxing getaway they thought it would be. Instead, she's brought them to an "Escape Experience," where the girls will be locked in a room and they have to work together to solve clues and riddles in order to escape! It's a great team building exercise!! The Mane 6 just know they can work together (and beat the Griffons' record in the process) and they end up having a marvelous time. Starlight, on the other hand, is at her wits end with Trixie. Starlight has pieced together that the map table should be in the last place Trixie was thinking of. But unfortunately, Trixie has no idea where that is and makes light of how long it should take them to find it. It'll be like a game - a scavenger hunt all through Ponyville! Starlight's anger is drawn out of her and into the necklace, but everytime that happens Starlight becomes more and more apathetic. Trixie notices the necklace is doing something weird to her friend and breaks it, despite Starlight's weak protest of "No. Don't." Suddenly all of Starlight's pent up rage escapes the necklace and forms a monstrous version of Starlight that has it out for Trixie!

As Trixie dodges and runs away from the anger monster, Starlight is forced to explain what's happening. She ends up telling Trixie everything that's been bothering her and as she does, the anger monster shrinks. Noticing that, Trixie encourages Starlight to keep going! Trixie: "Tell me everything that's wrong with me!" Starlight continues to vent until the rage monster is no more. Trixie asks Starlight if she was so mad, why didn't she just say something? Starlight says she didn't want to risk blowing up on Trixie and losing her as a friend. Trixie tells Starlight for the record, she wouldn't be friends with the pony Starlight was becoming. She's friends with Starlight because she's passionate and lively and sometimes that means getting angry. Sometimes you just have to trust that your friendship is stronger than a few angry words. As Starlight and Trixie hug, Trixie suddenly remembers what she was thinking about! The girls find Twilight's map table at the Ponyville Spa, because Trixie had been thinking about the first time they'd met and how lucky she felt to have found Starlight as a friend. They spirit the map table back to the castle just as Twilight and friends get home from their retreat!