

MY LITTLE PONY
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Lesson: Twilight learns that being the best aunt ever doesn't mean spending the most time with your niece, but rather spending quality time with your niece.

TEASER

INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE – THRONE ROOM – DAY

Twilight bustles about, prepping for a jam-packed day, while Spike follows and reads from an agenda. She's going to visit and read to some sick foals at the Ponyville Hospital later on today, so she's got to pick the book she's going to read, get snacks for them, and buy them some “Get Well Soon” presents. And then she actually has to visit and read to them, of course. Whew! Spike rolls up the floor-length agenda and assures Twilight they should be able to get it all done as long as they don't have to do anything else. Just then, there's a knock at the door. CUT TO:

INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE - ENTRY HALLWAY - MOMENTS LATER

Cadance and Shining Armor enter with Flurry Heart in a bassinet. They really, really hope Twilight's not busy right now because they are kind of counting on her to watch Flurry. Spike: “Actually we're kind of swamp--” but Twilight puts a hoof over his mouth, shushing him. She gives Cadance and Shining Armor a big grin. Would the Best Aunt Ever be too busy to babysit her favorite niece? Never!!

END TEASER

MAIN TITLES

ACT I

INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE – HALLWAY - MOMENTS LATER

As Shining Armor and Cadance magic all of Flurry's stuff into a pile in the middle of Twilight's hallway, they tell her all about diaper changing, how much she loves mashed peas, and last but definitely not least – her “whammy” (a stuffed snail that Flurry Heart adores). Cadance tells Twilight that if Flurry gets fussy just give her her “whammy” – it's her favorite thing and always calms her down.

Shining Armor thanks Twilight for helping them out of a jam. His royal guard buddy, Spearhead, is doing a pop-up art show and they decided to go at the last minute. Spike eyes all the baby stuff they just piled into the hallway and mumbles that for being last minute, they sure had time to prepare... Cadance: “Thank you so much, Twilight! You sure you're not too busy?” Twilight gets a look of unease on her face but one glance at Flurry Heart's puppy-dog eyes melts her and she quickly tells them it's no problem, she's got everything under control.

With that, Shining Armor and Cadance exit. Twilight Sparkle turns to Flurry, “All right, Flurry, you ready to hit the town?” Flurry Heart shakes her head and playfully bolts away, wanting Twilight to chase her: “Play beawr!” Twilight: “Alright. Rawr! I'm gonna getcha!” Twilight giggles and flies after Flurry. They zip around the castle laughing. When Twilight is about to reach Flurry, her bear impression gets a little too good. Flurry gasps and magics a bright pink bubble around herself. Twilight tries to poke at the bubble but it won't budge. Twilight: “Oh no. Did the bear scare you? Sorry bug. Look, it's just me!” Twilight presses her face against the bubble and makes a silly face. Flurry giggles and dissolves the bubble. Twilight admires the bubble, “That was a very advanced spell for somepony your age. Looks like you're taking after your Auntie Twiley!”

Spike says he's sorry to burst the literal bubble but they really need to head to the schoolhouse if they're going to stay on schedule. Twilight says no problem – she just has to pack up Flurry's things and feed her real quick. Twilight starts feeding Flurry, magic-ing her spoon into fun loop-de-loops before getting to Flurry's mouth. Off of Flurry's giggles we DISSOLVE TO...

EXT. TWILIGHT’S CASTLE - LATER

As Twilight, Spike, and Flurry head out, Twilight tells Spike that wasn’t so bad. Spike: “Yup. We’re only twenty minutes behind schedule.” Off of Twilight’s concerned look, we END ACT ONE!

END ACT I**ACT II****INT. PONYVILLE SCHOOLHOUSE - LATER THAT DAY**

Spike, Twilight, and Flurry (in a stroller) are visiting Cherilee. Twilight has to pick a book to read at the hospital later. She has plenty of books, of course, but something tells her things like *The Unabridged History of Amulets, Runes, and Crystals* won’t go over so well with the kiddos. Fortunately, Cherilee has a ton of age-appropriate reading material. As Twilight, Spike, and Cherilee discuss the merits of *Harry Pony* versus *Green Oats and Hay*, Flurry tries to get Twilight’s attention: “Play beawr??” Twilight says in a minute, she has to find the perfect educating book (that means educational *and* entertaining). Bored, Flurry turns her attention to the chalkboard nearby. Cherilee has a lesson plan already written on it. Flurry finds the chalk and starts magic-ing doodles all over Cherilee’s notes. Finally, Twilight settles on *Harry Pony* then turns to see Flurry’s “masterpiece”. Flurry is super proud of her drawing, but Cherilee’s face falls. Twilight apologizes. Cherilee, resigned: “That’s okay. I’ll just write it again.” As Cherilee picks up a piece of chalk with her mouth and slowly starts rewriting, Twilight cringes. CUT TO:

INT. PONYVILLE CAFÉ – SAME TIME

Shining Armor and Cadance stand before an abstract structure made of shields. They both look confused. They tilt their heads. Still confused. “Is this art or a mistake?” Just then, Spearhead pulls Shining Armor into a hug. Spearhead thanks them for coming to his gallery. This is his first show ever so it’s kind of a big deal for him. He loves being a guard, but this helps him express his inner artist. Spearhead: “I call this one ‘A Thousand Nights in a Hallway.’” He gestures to a ‘painting’ that just looks like a black canvas. Cadance: “I guess nighttime in a hallway can be pretty dark.” Spearhead: “Oh no, my visor falls over my eyes a lot and I just wanted to capture that experience.” Cadance and Shining Armor admit they don’t know much about art but they’re happy to show their support...plus it’s nice take a break from talking about mashed peas and diapers for an evening.

EXT. STREET – LATER

Twilight and Spike push Flurry in her stroller, towing a cart of groceries, Get Well Soon balloons, and the rest of Flurry’s belongings. Spike gently asks if they should take a breather from running errands. The last few didn’t go so well. There was the marketplace... (insert photo of Flurry levitating Whammy and knocking over a display of oranges), the party supply store... (insert photo of Flurry Heart holding onto a bundle of balloons flying away while Twilight chases after her), and the toy store (insert photo of a salespony wrapping presents. A guilty-looking Flurry Heart holds scissors and the salespony is missing a chunk of her mane). But Twilight tells Spike this next errand is super important.

Twilight and Spike stop walking and look up. REVEAL they’ve arrived at Sugarcube Corner. Spike turns the agenda over and examines it. What are they doing here? This wasn’t on their list. Twilight says they need to squeeze this in because she owes a lot of ponies some treats to make up for little Flurry’s accidents. PLUS, Flurry Heart can play with the Cake twins and stay out of trouble! Spike starts editing his agenda, but Twilight says it’s going to be okay. Since when is he such a stickler for the schedule? Spike: “Since you stopped being one!” Twilight says sometimes being the Best Aunt Ever means you have to let some things go to make time for your niece. Flurry shakes her whammy at Twilight. Twilight: “Not now.” They walk in.

INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER – CONTINUOUS

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Twilight sets Flurry Heart down next to the CAKE TWINS. They touch hooves then giggle. Twilight smiles – excellent! They like each other already! She turns her attention to PINKIE PIE. Twilight, “Okay, first order of business: do you know Cherilee’s favorite treat?” That’s easy, says Pinkie Pie! Her favorite treat is cherry oatmeal cookies with chocolate glaze! Great, says Twilight, she’s going to need a big order of those – but can Pinkie write “Sorry” in the icing on each cookie? Pinkie Pie: “I’ve got a stamp for that!!” Pinkie pulls out a stamp and plops it on Twilight’s forehead leaving a sadface pony (like an emoji) in frosting.

Meanwhile, behind them, Pound Cake is playing with a train-car set. Pumpkin Cake tries to play with it, too, but Pound Cake yanks the train-set away from her. The twins start to fight over the toy. Flurry Heart picks it up with her magic and nudges Twilight with it, trying to get her to the problem, but without turning around Twilight says “Not now, honey” and goes back to ordering. Seeing she’s on her own, Flurry rips the train into two halves and looks at the twins like, “problem solved?” The twins both frown at the same time. Uh oh. Flurry Heart takes off, zipping around the bakery with the twins hot on her hooves, chasing her. In the chaos, Flurry accidentally knocks over a shelf of pre-made cakes that topple onto the twins. The twins battle-cry and start lobbing icing at Flurry who dodges it, but it splats against the walls behind her.

At the counter, Twilight is ordering apology apple strudel cupcakes for the salespony at the toy store when she notices a horrified look on Pinkie Pie’s face. Twilight: “What?” Pinkie grabs her head and turns it around to point her at the crazy scene. She turns back to Pinkie. Twilight chuckles nervously, “Pinkie... remind me what your favorite treat is...” Pinkie, “The sampler platter!” Twilight, “Great – I’ll take three of those.”

EXT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - LATER

Cut to Twilight, Spike, and Flurry Heart exiting the store with their heads hanging low. Spike whispers to Twilight – should he just cancel their visit to the hospital? Twilight says no! You can’t cancel on sick foals! It’ll be fine. Twilight, “Besides, once I start reading *Harry Pony*, Flurry’s gonna love it. Best Aunt Ever!” CUT TO:

INT. HOSPITAL – LATER

Flurry (holding her whammy) bored out of her mind as Twilight reads to two sick foals with thermometers in their mouths and water bags on their heads. Spike sits by Flurry, but he’s pretty wrapped up in the story. Flurry begins tugging at Twilight’s tail and gestures to for her to play with whammy! Twilight whispers, “We’ll play later, sweetie, right now Aunt Twiley is about to read the best part of the book!” Flurry Heart slumps and accidentally drops her whammy. It bounces under one of the beds. Flurry’s eyes go wide in panic. She levitates the beds (the foals are lying in) and crawls underneath looking for the whammy. She levitates Twilight’s chair and Spike and soon, everything in the room, including medical supplies and the doctors! Off everypony’s panicked expression we...

END ACT II

ACT III

INT. PONYVILLE CAFÉ – LATER

Shining Armor and Cadance are having a great time. Spearhead is telling them more about his “pieces.” Spearhead points to a cordoned-off piece of carpet covered in hoof prints. Spearhead: “This one’s called ‘A Kitchen Guard’s Journey.’” Cadance says it’s very... avante garde? Shining Armor and Spearhead laugh hysterically. Shining Armor pulls Cadance to the side. He’s having the best time, but they should probably head back to Twilight’s castle to pick up Flurry soon. Cadance says they probably should. But... she can’t remember the last time they got to just have fun together. Can’t they just stay just a liiiittle longer? There’s a pony here who paints portraits! REVEAL an artsy pony painting Picasso-like portraits for everypony. Shining Armor grabs her arm: “Let’s go!”

INT. HOSPITAL – LATER

Back at the hospital, everypony is still floating. The doctors call out: “Princess Twilight, what is your niece doing? Stop her, this is dangerous!” The sick foals look scared. Flurry finally spots her whammy under a side table and lunges for it. She snuggles up to it and coos. Twilight: “FLURRY PUT US DOWN THIS INSTANT!” Scared, Flurry’s magic subsides and everything starts crashing to the floor before Twilight softens the blow with her own magic. Twilight asks if everypony is okay? The sick foals give a shaky nod. Then Twilight wheels on Flurry: “Flurry, that was VERY bad! You can’t just levitate anypony! They could have fallen and gotten hurt!” Flurry bursts into tears. Twilight softens and reaches for her, but Flurry magics her pink bubble around herself. Twilight tries making a silly face again: “You don’t have to be scared, it’s just me.” Flurry backs away. It dawns on Twilight: “Oh. You’re scared of *me*. So much for being the Best Aunt Ever.”

Twilight goes down to Flurry’s level and apologizes for yelling at her – none of this was Flurry’s fault. Twilight hasn’t been paying enough attention to her all day. But that all stops now. Twilight promises to devote 100% of her attention to her niece...after she helps the hospital ponies clean up, of course. She turns to Spike: “Can you--” Spike: “Already on my way to Pinkie Pie. Giant cake, coming up!”

INT. TWILIGHT SPARKLE’S CASTLE – LATER

Twilight chases Flurry around the castle playing the bear chasing game from that morning. Shining Armor and Cadance walk in, relieved to see such a happy scene. Cadance scoops up Flurry and says well, no need to ask about their day. Seems like it went great! Twilight says, actually, it was a bit of a disaster. Shining Armor blanches and tries to subtly hide their portrait behind his back. Twilight explains that Flurry got into a little trouble but it wasn’t her fault. Twilight admits that she shouldn’t have agreed to watch Flurry with such a jam-packed schedule. Spike tried to warn her, but she didn’t listen. Spike (O.S.): “S’okay!” REVEAL Spike eating a jewel cake with the sadface pony on it. Twilight goes on to say she ended up trying to juggle so many things that she wasn’t able to devote her full attention to Flurry. Twilight, “I realized that being the Best Aunt Ever doesn’t mean spending the most time with your niece, but spending quality time with your niece. Which means I’m gonna need more of a heads up in the future.” Cadance and Shining Armor bashfully promise they’ll do that. Twilight says at least it looks like the two of them had fun. She notices Shining Armor hiding a spear sculpture behind his back. Twilight: “What is that?” Shining Armor: “Art? I think?” Flurry looks at it and cries. FADE OUT! THE END.

END SHOW