

FADE IN:

EXT. SCHOOL - DAY

CERINA (14, lavender purple hair pulled back into two large crescent-shaped buns) steps in front of stairs that lead to the school's front doors. BONES (black zombie cat, purple eyes, small round glasses) stands next to her.

She takes a DEEP BREATH IN, EXHALES, then grins.

CERINA

Alright, Bones! We got this! We're gonna absolutely CRUSH this test-!

BONES

You mean *cheat* on. Don't act like you didn't stay up all night, writing in your diary about your 'huge awesome plan' last night.

CUT TO:

INT. CERINA'S BEDROOM - LAST NIGHT

Cerina scribbles furiously in her diary. Bones sits, curled up on a pillow.

CERINA

I will... use the grimoire... to cheat on... Mr. Holloway's... really stupid dumb test.

AS WE WERE:

EXT. SCHOOL - CONTINUOUS

Cerina deflates.

CERINA

Agh, come on! I suck at math! Mr. Holloway is out to get me! Every time I walk in there, it's like I have a huge target on my back.

The BELL RINGS. Cerina jumps.

CERINA (CONT'D)

Ghah!

She places her open backpack on the ground. Bones hops in. Cerina runs up the stairs into the building.

INT. SCHOOL - CONTINUOUS

Cerina skips down the hall.

Bones unzips Cerina's backpack enough to see out of.

BONES

So... instead of using the grimoire to avoid being late to class, you'd rather just use it to... cheat.

CERINA

Yep!!

Bones gives a LOW CAT GROWL and zips the backpack shut.

INT. SCHOOL - CLASSROOM - CONTINUOUS

Cerina sits down at her desk and places her backpack to the side on the floor.

MR. HOLLOWAY (O.S.)

Alright, class! I hope you've studied hard. I didn't cut corners on trying to challenge you with some of these equations.

MR. HOLLOWAY (bald, 50's) passes around paper test packets.

MR. HOLLOWAY (CONT'D)

I'm certain I've given you all enough material to help you through the...

Cerina leans back against her chair, GROANS, and looks out the window.

AMADEUS (14, dressed in a sparkly suit) climbs over the wooden fence that surrounds the school.

Cerina sits up dramatically, mouth agape.

MR. HOLLOWAY (CONT'D)

...highest test scores in the state.

He stops at Cerina's desk and places a paper test packet down.

Her hand shoots up and it almost knocks Mr. Holloway's glasses off of his face.

CERINA

I really need to use the bathroom.
Right now. Really bad.

Mr. Holloway adjusts his glasses.

MR. HOLLOWAY

Fine, Cerina. Make it quick,
please. You only have an hour to
finish this test, unless you want
to stay after school.

Cerina grabs her backpack off the floor and runs towards the classroom door, backpack partly open. Papers flutter across the classroom as she does so.

CERINA

(dismissive)

Yeah, yeah. Math test. Be right
back!

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Cerina runs out to the brick side of the school building. She pulls her grimoire out of her bag.

CERINA

Bones??

Her backpack lacks Bones, or anything even remotely 'zombie cat'.

CERINA (CONT'D)

Bones?? Agh! Forget it, no time.

She flips the grimoire open to the first page.

Amadeus stands in the middle of the green grassy lawn.

AMADEUS

Stella Luna! You will hand over
that grimoire- I mean, MY
grimoire... at once!

He dramatically poses.

Cerina rolls her eyes and sticks her nose into the grimoire.

INSERT: GRIMOIRE

Purple, sparkly ink decorates the old, dusty parchment to create spells, journal entries.

BACK TO SCENE

Cerina takes a DEEP BREATH, and she points a finger straight up into the air.

CERINA

By the order of the stars, let the constellations guide me!

MAGICAL GIRL TRANSFORMATION SEQUENCE

Cerina, now as STELLA LUNA (purple and gold witch hat; pink, lavender, purple, and black dress) stands before Amadeus. She holds a LARGE WAND with a gold star at the top.

Amadeus crosses his arms.

AMADEUS

I would look SO much cooler with that! Give it to me!

CERINA/STELLA LUNA

No! I need it to pass my test!
Could you please come back later??

AMADEUS

Is it Mr. Holloway's class?

CERINA/STELLA LUNA

Yeah.

AMADEUS

Oh, I took that last week.

CERINA

Was it hard?

AMADEUS

Not really.

Cerina/Stella Luna points her wand at Amadeus.

CERINA/STELLA LUNA

I found the grimoire, and I'm learning how to use it!

AMADEUS

Well, you're using it to cheat on your test! That's not very 'witch'-like!

Cerina/Stella Luna stomps her foot.

CERINA/STELLA LUNA
I didn't even tell you that! How
did you even know??

Amadeus holds up a small piece of parchment from the
grimoire.

AMADEUS
Because *I* have the last piece of
the page that you need to cheat!

Cerina/Stella Luna pulls small purple BUTTONS from her
pocket. She flips several of them into the air. They freeze
mid-air. Cerina/Stella Luna traces a line between each
button, and creates the shape of a constellation.

CERINA
Pisces: Moon Crater!

The buttons GLOW into STARS, and a BEAM shoots from the
constellation at Amadeus.

It creates an explosion where Amadeus stands.

INT. SCHOOL - CLASSROOM - CONTINUOUS

Bones sits in Cerina's chair at her desk. He looks at her
test packet.

BONES
(angry mumble)
At least one of us studied.

Bones looks up.

Mr. Holloway sits at his own desk as he tries to not fall
asleep.

Bones grabs Cerina's pencil with his mouth and begins to
write on the test packet.

A STUDENT who sits behind Cerina's desk looks up from his
work. He blinks, looks every which way.

STUDENT
Is that a zombie cat? Man, I really
gotta stop staying up so late.

Bones turns around.