

STAR STUDENT

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EXT. TOWNSVILLE - DAY

Various shots of the city and it's inhabitants.

NARRATOR

The city of Townsville! The birds and chirping! The trees are breezing! The cars are, car-ing. Huh. Things seem awfully quiet. Now that I think of it, the hotline hasn't rung in days! What could our girls possibly be up to?

EXT. POKEY OAKS - DAY

NARRATOR

Ah yes! School!

INT. POKEY OAKS - DAY

THE GIRLS and the REST OF THE CLASS sit diligently as MS. KEANE draws the three states of matter on the board.

NARRATOR

Just another fine day of learning-
What's this!!

A picture of the star chart. BLOSSOM is tied with another student, GINGER.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)

It looks like Blossom has some stiff competition!

MS. KEANE

So the water from the lake goes up into the clouds and becomes air, which will later turn back into water when it rains. What happens to that water when it gets really cold outside?

Just as Blossom is about to raise her hand someone else beats her to it: Ginger.

MS. KEANE (CONT'D)

Yes? Ginger?

GINGER

It becomes a solid!

MS. KEANE

Very good! Yes, it freezes into ice! Looks like you've earned another star.

Ms. Keane takes a sticker sheet off her desk and gives Ginger another star. She's now ahead of Blossom, who looks perturbed.

INT. PROFESSOR'S HOUSE - DAY

The girls sit at dinner with the PROFESSOR.

BUTTERCUP

And then I told him to duck but he wasn't quick enough so the ball hit him right in the face!

PROFESSOR

Ah ha! Very good.

BUBBLES

Well I drew a pretty unicorn, it was pink and yellow.

PROFESSOR

Wonderful! And what about you Blossom?

BLOSSOM

I...I...

BUTTERCUP

Ginger passed her on the star board and now she's upset.

PROFESSOR

Buttercup, let Blossom speak for herself.

BLOSSOM

I'm not upset!

BUBBLES

But no one has ever gotten more stars than you before.

BUTTERCUP

Who cares! The chart is stupid!

INT. GIRL'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Buttercup and Bubbles sit on the bed making their dolls fight. Blossom sits away from them studying.

The Professor enters.

PROFESSOR
Alright girls, Time for bed.

Bubbles and Buttercup dash into bed.

PROFESSOR (CONT'D)
You too Blossom.

BLOSSOM
But Profess-

He points. Blossom joins the other girls under the sheets.

PROFESSOR
Goodnight girls.

He kisses them on their foreheads.

GIRLS
Goodnight Professor.

He exits, leaving the door open just a crack.

NARRATOR
Ahh, another peaceful-

Blossom's eyes dart open.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)
What's this? It's past her bedtime!

Blossom goes back to her workstation and continues studying.

NARRATOR (CONT'D)
I don't have a good feeling about this.

INT. HIM'S CAVE - NIGHT

HIM sits on his couch watching Blossom study from his TV.

NARRATOR
Oh no is that? I can't even say it- Blossom! Oh, watch out Blossom.

HIM

Hmm, now isn't that something.
Insecure little know-it-all. I
think you might just be my key to
destroying the PowerPuff Girls.

He laughs.

INT. GIRL'S BEDROOM - THE NEXT MORNING

Bubbles and Buttercup wake up to see Blossom missing. They realize she's sitting across the room.

BUBBLES

Blossom why are you-

Blossom turns around looking like she hasn't slept a lick, because she hasn't!

BLOSSOM

Nothing. I woke up a minute ago.

BUTTERCUP

Uh huh.

The girls aren't convinced.

BLOSSOM

Oh wow, look at that time, we
better get to class!

INT. POKEY OAKS - DAY

The students work quietly in groups on a handout. Blossom tries her best to pay attention, but the lack of sleep is making that awfully hard.

She looks over to Ginger's table.

MS. KEANE

Very good!

She gives Ginger another star.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)

(Him's Voice)

Everyone thinks she so perfect. "Oh
look at me, I'm Ginger and I'm so
great." They all love her, and they
all hate you.

Her inner voice sounds a lot like HIM. But the toxic thoughts seem to bring Blossom even lower than she was before.

Suddenly the hotline rings!

Blossom doesn't go to grab it, the other two look at her.

BUTTERCUP
Uh, Blossom?

BLOSSOM
Oh!

She dashes to the phone.

BLOSSOM (CONT'D)
Uh, huh? What's that? Mmhmm.

Her attention seems to be fading as she stares at the star board.

MAYOR
Blossom! Blossom!

BLOSSOM
What? Sorry-is it an emergency?
We're just in the middle of a very
important-Yeah okay, we'll be there
right away.

She hangs up the phone but just sits there. Bubbles and Buttercup are uncertain what to do. Eventually:

BLOSSOM (CONT'D)
Let's head out!

EXT. TOWNSVILLE - DAY

The girls fly over the city.

INT. BANK - DAY

The girls bust into the bank to find HIM! Robbing a bank? Like any other lowly criminal?

BLOSSOM
Stop right there!

HIM
Oh hi girls.

BUBBLES

Him! What're you doing?

HIM

I was a little short on cash.

BUTTERCUP

Not on our dime!

The girls spring into action. Buttercup goes for the face. Bubbles kicks Him in chest, causing Him to drop the moneybags. Blossom goes in for a blow but misses.

This gives Him just enough time to knock all three girls down. The girls look to Blossom, but she gives no command.

Him laughs.

BUTTERCUP (CONT'D)

Can it Crabby!

Bubbles and Buttercup go in for the final blow. The bank crowd cheers.

CROWD

Thank goodness for the PowerPuff
Girls!

Blossom looks around at them in dismay, knowing her failure. Again she hears the voice.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)

(Him's voice)

They took Him down all on their
own. Maybe they don't need me
anymore.

INT. POKEY OAKS - DAY

We see the star chart, Ginger is still in the lead.

INT. BLOSSOM'S NIGHTMARE

Blossom has a feverish Him induced nightmare. The star chart fades into a beautiful night sky, Blossom flies among them. The stars fly away suddenly.

She tries to chase them, but they seem to disappear into the night sky. Leaving a dark void. Until suddenly an explosion of light blows Blossom to the ground.

She looks up into the sky and sees Ginger, her sisters, and Him made out of stars. They chant.

BUTTERCUP/BUBBLES/GINGER/HIM
 (Him's voice)
 Loser. Loser. Loser. Loser.

The ground begins to break under her, and she falls unable to fly away or save herself. Then she wakes up.

EXT. POKEY OAKS - DAY

Recess time. The group is playing Dodgeball. 3 kids, including Blossom, have yet to be chosen for teams.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)
 (Him's voice)
 They aren't going to pick you.

KID 1
 Uhhhh...Jimmy.

KID 2
 We'll take Katie.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)
 (Him's Voice)
 They all hate you.

Blossom is left alone.

KID 3
 Looks like you're with us Blossom.

She takes this to heart. The kids start to play and almost instantly Blossom gets eliminated. Her lack of sleep reading all over her body.

In frustration she goes to sulk by herself.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)
 (Him's Voice)
 You're worthless. Who would want you on their team?

BLOSSOM
 Maybe I am a loser.

The ground begins to shake.

NARRATOR
 Oh no! What's that!

The ground cracks, a large crab monster arises out of it. Buttercup and Bubbles gear up, but Blossom doesn't move a muscle.

BUBBLES
Come on Blossom!

BLOSSOM
You don't need me.

The monster gets closer and closer to Pokey Oaks. The girls try to wait for their sister.

BUTTERCUP
We need to go now!

Blossom doesn't budge.

BUTTERCUP (CONT'D)
Bubbles lets go!

They head out. Blossom sulks more.

Bubbles and Buttercup fly in but just as they are about to hit the monster it's form changes from a solid to a liquid. They move right through it causing no harm.

BUBBLES
What?

Buttercup goes in for another hit, but the monster changes to it's liquid state and Buttercup cuts right through it. The hole she left fills in.

BUTTERCUP
Huh?

The girls continue to try and fight the monster but are getting no where. It knocks them to the ground and then changes to it's solid state, crushing both of the girls.

They yell to Blossom.

BUBBLES
Blossom please! We need you!

BUTTERCUP
We can't do it with you!

BLOSSOM
But...I can't. I'm not good enough.

BUBBLES/BUTTERCUP
Blossom!

Blossom looks up at them.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)
 (Him's Voice)
 There's nothing you can do. You
 aren't strong enough.

Her sister's scream out in pain.

BLOSSOM
 No!

Blossom tries to get up by the voice rings in her head.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)
 (Him's Voice)
 You're a loser! A nobody!

BLOSSOM
 No! That voice isn't mine, its...it's
 HIM!

She finally realizes it. The monster's face transforms into
 HIM's.

HIM
 Took you long enough Smarty pants.

Bubbles and Buttercup scream.

BLOSSOM
 I'm coming girls!

Blossom shoots into action. As she goes in the monster
 changes state again, Blossom gets stuck inside the liquid.

Blossom contemplates before remembering what Ms. Keane taught
 the other day in class.

BLOSSOM (V.O.)
 From a gas, to a liquid, to a
 solid!

Her eyes open and she bursts out of liquid. Using her ice
 breath she freezes the monster, then goes in for the final
 blow! It breaks into a million pieces that fly everywhere.

One of the pieces heads straight for the playground and
 straight for Ginger!

BLOSSOM
 Ginger!

Blossom saves her just in time.

BLOSSOM (CONT'D)
Are you okay?

GINGER
That was so cool! You just came in
and whoosh! BAM! POW! Thanks
Blossom.

Blossom smiles and starts to leave. Suddenly she stops in her tracks.

BLOSSOM
Hey Ginger, do you wanna study
together next week?

Ginger nods. Bubbles and Buttercup ambush Blossom with a hug. They laugh.

BLOSSOM (CONT'D)
Thanks Girls. Now I think it's nap
time.

NARRATOR
And once again the day is saved by
THE POWERPUFF GIRLS! I think I
could use a nap too!

CUT TO BLACK.