

“Over The Moon”

Second Place Winner

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Description: Maya discovers she really wants to be an astronaut, but her parents have other plans for her.

Genre: Dramatic/Comedic

How was my day at school? Uh, average. Nothing special. Ugh, who am I kidding!? I'm over the moon! Pun intended! We started an astronomy unit today and I love it! We learned about rocket boosters and did a flight simulation. Wait! You're what? I don't want to volunteer at the clinic! I'm not going to become a doctor! (beat) Um...nothing! I said nothing! (beat) It's just...I want to become an astronaut. I know you want me to be a doctor, but I love astronomy and I actually think I'm good at it! You want me to be a doctor, but I just don't have the passion. I want you to think about how I could excel as an astronaut.

1-minute cut • approx. 120 spoken words