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INT. SUTTON'S BEDROOM - DAY

FADE IN. SUTTON, a beautiful and creative teenage girl, sits at the DESK in her bedroom. She is focused on the COMIC BOOK she is creating.

CLOSE ON SUTTON, she switches between different COLORED PENCILS filling in the pages of her COMIC BOOK.

NARRATOR (V.O)

SUTTON has always been a very creative person, from the time she could pick up a crayon. Her friends and family constantly remind her how talented she is, but she never believes them.

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INT. CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

FADE IN. SUTTON walks down the hallway to her friend MELANIE'S locker. MELANIE, SUTTON'S best friend, a sweet and stylish teenage girl, closes her locker and turns towards SUTTON.

MELANIE

Hey girl!

SUTTON

(excitedly)

Melanie guess what I finished this weekend.

SUTTON reaches in her backpack to pull out a COMIC BOOK.

MELANIE

Ooo, another comic book I see.

SUTTON

(excitedly and
anxiously)

Yes, but not just any comic book. This comic book is special. I made this one is about the story of our friendship! Happy friendiversary!

MELANIE'S hands cover her mouth in shock and awe.

MELANIE

(surprised and
grateful)

SUTTON stop! You shouldn't have!

SUTTON

It really wasn't a big deal. You know I have a soft spot for making comic books, and for you.

MELANIE and SUTTON smile and laugh. MELANIE takes the COMIC BOOK from SUTTON'S hands.

MELANIE

Thank you so much SUTTY (the nickname MELANIE has for SUTTON). This means so much to me.

THE GIRLS say their goodbyes and head to their classes.

FADE OUT

INT. MELANIE'S BEDROOM - DAY

FADE IN. MELANIE sits on her BED flipping through the pages of the COMIC BOOK SUTTON gave her. She gets an idea.

MELANIE

Oh my god! I completely forgot about the comic book competition going on in Capeside (their town). I should submit SUTTON'S COMIC BOOK into the competition. Lord knows SUTTON won't do it herself.

MELANIE takes pictures on her PHONE of every page of the COMIC BOOK. She sends the messages from her PHONE to her COMPUTER. She submits the COMIC BOOK to the online competition.

CUT TO:

INT. MELANIE'S BEDROOM - THE NEXT DAY

MELANIE lies in her BED when she hears a ding come from her COMPUTER. She rushes up to check her email.

Congratulations Sutton Smith! You have won the Capeside Comic Book Competition! This means that you won the \$500 prize, and your comic book will be published for free!

MELANIE

No way! SUTTON won the competition! I have to figure out a way to tell her without her getting upset. I think I'll tell her tomorrow at school.

FADE OUT

INT. CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

MELANIE dashes through the school hallways first thing in the morning to SUTTON'S locker. SUTTON looking concerned asks MELANIE what's going on.

SUTTON

MELANIE slow down. What is going on?!

MELANIE

(catching her
breath)

SUTTY please don't be mad at me.

SUTTON

(confused)

MEL, what did you do? Why would I be mad at you?

MELANIE

Okay, so you know the COMIC BOOK you made for our friendiversary?

SUTTON

Uh, yes.

MELANIE

So I thought that it was extremely well done, and that it deserved some recognition. So I kinda sorta submitted it to the Capeside Comic Book Competition. Please don't hate me.

SUTTON

You what?! You know I don't really like to show my work to people.

MELANIE

But SUTTON, guess what. You won!

SUTTON

(in complete and
utter shock)

I did?! I can't believe this is happening!

MELANIE

Dude I know! You won \$500 and your COMIC BOOK gets to be published! I'm so happy for you SUTTY.

SUTTON

Wow, I'm still in shock, but I'm so grateful that you did that for me MEL. You know that I don't have very much confidence in my artistic abilities, and this makes me for confident in myself. Thank you MELANIE, you're the bestest friend ever!

MELANIE

I love you SUTTY.

SUTTON

Love you too MEL.