

DREAMS AND WISHES COME TRUE
based on the book *Off To School*
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SCENE ONE: *Father Draws a Line*

THE SUN –	Nurul
WEZIELEE –	Mitchell
THE LINE –	David H.
THE CLOUD –	Kisbethrlyn
GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA –	Pamela
SISTER ELOISA-	Ashley
SISTER GIRLIE –	Emily T.
SISTER MELISSA–	Daniella
SISTER DIANA -	Natalya
PAPA –	Eric
MAMA-	Brooke

SETTING: Wezielee’s Fathers House, outside near the line

TIME: Harvest Time in August, 6pm

AT RISE: THE SUN, the LINE and the CLOUD are seen. WEZIELEE is kneeling in her yard looking far away at the school.

WEZIELEE

I want to go to school!

WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR: SONG

WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR
MAKES NO DIFFERENCE WHO YOU ARE
ANYTHING YOUR HEART DESIRES
WILL COME TO YOU

THE SUN

I want to throw a light on the line so he can get warm and hot. Also, so Wezielee will have to cook.

THE LINE

I want the Sun to beam light on me so that Wezielee will have to stay home and work.

CLOUD

I want to start raining so the Sun will stop. (GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA flies onstage to the CLOUD.) I want Wezielee to go to school

GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA

I want Wezielee to go to school so she can learn much. I'm giving you Sankofa magic so nothing can happen to you.

WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR: REPRISE

WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR
MAKES NO DIFFERENCE WHO YOU ARE
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(WEZIELEE sees the SUN getting closer to the LINE.)

WEZIELEE

I want to go to school. I don't want the sun to shine on the line.

I WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL: SONG

I WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL
SO I CAN REALLY LEARN
NOBODY CAN STOP ME
BECAUSE I HAVE A
YEARNING

WEZIELEE (to the SUN)

Stop!

(PAPA enters. WEZIELEE'S SISTERS and BROTHER peek out the window.)

PAPA

Let it go, because I don't want you to go to school.

SISTER ASHLEY

I want to see what Papa's gonna do.

SISTER EMILY

I want to hear what they're talking about.

SISTER NATALYA AND BROTHER WILLIAM

I want to see what they're doing.

SISTER MELISSA

I hope Papa lets Wezielee go to school.

FATHER

If the sun gets up on this line, I want you to cook.

(The SUN gets closer to the LINE and at the end of the song stands over him. WEZIELLE, CLOUD and GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA watch anxiously.)

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE: SONG

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

I'M GONNA LET IT SHINE (repeat twice)

LET IT SHINE

LET IT SHINE

LET IT SHINE

CLOUD AND GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA

No!

(MAMA enters and sees WEZIELEE crying.)

MAMA

I'm gonna cook.

PAPA

No! If Wezielee cooks, I will let her go to school.

GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA

Your Father's gonna let you go to school and I'm gonna help you with my magic.

CLOUD

Great choice!

LINE

Aaaaaawww! Why does she need help?

SUN

I changed my mind.

BROTHER AND SISTERS

Yay! That's an excellent choice!

END OF SCENE ONE

SCENE TWO: Papa Changes His Mind

SETTING: Outside and the Kitchen
TIME: 7pm
AT RISE: WEZIELEE is in the Kitchen cooking. PAPA is at the Dinner Table. The CHILI PEPPER is on the table. The SCHOOL and the SUN watch WEZIELEE from outside her house.

CHARACTERS:

SCHOOL - Krishna
PAPA – David V.
FRIEND JUAN – Michael
CHILI PEPPER – Neel
UNCLE CARLOS – Karol
UNCLE MAX – Brooke
BRIAN THE SUN – Ariel
FRIEND EMILY
FRIEND FRED - Emanuel

PAPA

(PAPA stomps his foot.) It's 7pm and I'm hungry!

SCHOOL

I want students to come and learn because people have to learn.

(WEZIELEE looks out of the Kitchen window and sees the school, waving at her FRIENDS.)

WEZIELEE

I want to go to school, but I'm cooking.

SCHOOL

I'll send somebody to go and take you to school. How about you, Friend?

FRIEND JUAN

I want to help Wezielee go to school!

SCHOOL

So, I'll send you.

FRIEND FRED

(To FRIEND JUAN) Here's some money and some books.

UNCLE MAX

(to PAPA) I want to take her to school.

PAPA

Don't get distracted!

BRIAN THE SUN

(To GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA.) Grandmother Sankofa, I want everyone to be warm so they don't catch a cold.

GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA

I'll give them extra light.

(During the song, WEZIELEE tries to sneak out of the house behind the UNCLES. PAPA catches her and brings her back.)

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE: REPRISE

THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

I'M GONNA LET IT SHINE (repeat twice)

LET IT SHINE

LET IT SHINE

LET IT SHINE

UNCLE CARLOS

(Strutting around) Where's my niece? She was right behind me.

PAPA

(Hands akimbo. mad) Where's my food? I want you to cook a lot of food for me.

(WEZIELEE walks back to the house.)

CHILI PEPPER

(Hopping to the side) I'll burn Papa's tongue but first I need a plan.

GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA

(Flies to the CHILI PEPPER) I'll turn you into Pepperoni!

(GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA magically changes the CHILI PEPPER into Pepperoni.)

PAPA

This Pepperoni looks good!

(PAPA takes a bite of the Pepperoni and his mouth starts to burn.)

GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA

I will give you water and you'll let Wezielee go to school.

PAPA

Yes!

(GRANDMOTHER SANKOFA magically creates a glass of water. PAPA drinks the water and turns to WEZIELEE.)

PAPA

Wezielee, you can go to school now.

WEZIELEE

I can't believe I'm going to school!

SCHOOL

Wezielee, come to school!

(As WEZIELEE walks to SCHOOL, everyone sings to her.)

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THE END