

A young girl with dark skin and curly hair styled in two pigtails with pink hair ties. She has large, expressive brown eyes and a gentle smile. She is wearing a pink sleeveless dress with a blue and white striped waistband. She is holding a monarch butterfly gently in her hands. The background is a warm, golden-hued street scene with houses and plants, suggesting a sunset or sunrise.

# THE GIRL WHO FOUND HER SHINE

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For every child searching for their shine —  
may you discover the magic inside you.



Lila loved her lively neighborhood — the music, the colors, the neighbors who greeted her with warm smiles.



But sometimes, even with all the brightness around her, Lila felt a tiny dimness inside her chest... a feeling she couldn't quite explain.



She saw her round nose, her puffy hair, her rich brown skin.

She didn't dislike them — she just didn't see what made her special. "Maybe I don't shine like other children," she whispered.