Queens don’t quit- the script.

Duration: 1 minute 45 seconds – 2 minutes
Music-driven storytelling.

- **GENERAL STYLE**

- Cinematic animated short film.
- Expressive golden chess queen as the main character.
- No facial features — emotion shown through body tilt, movement, light, and texture.
- Warm-to-cool-to-warm color arc.
- Gold paint represents confidence. Cracks represent discouragement.
- Sunlight restores her surface.
- Soft depth of field. Gentle camera movement. Emotional instrumental soundtrack.

1. MORNING (SHELF)

Soft golden morning light enters a quiet bedroom.
A golden chess queen stands on a wooden shelf.

Close-up: her polished gold surface shines.
She slightly tilts upright — full of energy.
She looks outward toward the room.

Cut — she jumps down from the shelf (implied through mid-air cut and landing).
Light, playful music begins.

2. KITCHEN ATTEMPT

Warm kitchen lighting.
The queen stands beside a mixing bowl. A puff of flour bursts into the air.

Cut to stovetop. A pancake cooks in a pan.
The queen attempts a flip.

Slow motion. Cut — pancake lands on the floor.

Burnt. Silence beat.

Close-up: a tiny flake of gold paint chips off her side. A small crack appears. She pauses.
Then straightens. Music continues, slightly softer.

3. RAIN OUTSIDE

Exterior. Cool gray tones. The queen steps outside. Rain begins falling.
Water droplets hit her golden surface.
Small flakes of gold begin chipping away.
Cracks spread slightly. She hesitates.

A larger drop hits — more visible damage.
Quick cuts implying determined movement forward. She reaches shelter under a bench or awning. She looks into a puddle reflection. Her gold is visibly worn now. Music turns emotional but hopeful. She moves forward anyway.

4. LIBRARY STRUGGLE

Interior college library. Neutral tones. The queen carries a small stack of books (tight framing). The books wobble. They fall in slow motion.

Heavy sound. More gold flakes chip off. Cracks deepen. She remains still among the fallen books. Music nearly stops.

Quiet.

A human hand gently enters frame. The hand picks up one book. Another book is placed upright beside her. A girl kneels and helps stack the books carefully.

No dialogue. Soft warm light touches the queen. The cracks stop spreading. A faint glow appears. They walk side by side toward the hallway. Camera follows from behind. Music begins rising again.

5. CLASSROOM WIN

Classroom desk. Exam paper in front of her. Clock ticking softly. Cut to the paper: a bold A+ or check mark. Warm light hits her surface.
Some cracks begin sealing slowly. Gold restores slightly. Nearby students gesture invitingly. She turns toward them.

6. COLLEGE GARDEN

Bright sunny garden. Warm golden afternoon light. Friends sitting on grass, soft laughter in background. Sunlight intensifies on her surface. Cracks seal completely. Gold becomes smooth and radiant again. She stands taller than before. Stronger. Calm.
Confident.

7. RETURN HOME

Evening light. Back in the same kitchen as before. Same framing as earlier pancake scene. She attempts another pancake flip.
Slow motion. Perfect landing in the pan. Golden surface glowing. She pauses proudly.

Cut — she climbs back onto her shelf. Now sunset light surrounds her. She looks outward over the room. Still. Grounded. Resilient.

8. FINAL FRAME

Fade to black. Text appears: **QUEENS DON’T QUIT**
Soft instrumental resolve.
Fade out.