*Title:* Crumble

*Longline:* Nana, an elderly lady, navigates through a series of unfortunate events, however the thought of reuniting with her grandkids at the end of the day, sharing tea with an Apple Crumble, serves as her anchor, keeping her collected within the challenges.

*Tagline:* A journey of crumbled plans.

*Synopsis:*

It is sunny but quite windy outside, so Nana puts on her favorite light grey coat. Ready to leave, she notices her keys are misplaced and begins looking around the room, just to find them on the couch. Nana finally leaves the house and goes to the shop, to get her grandkids their favorite Apple Crumble, for their visit this evening. In the bakery aisle she spots there are no more Apple Crumbles left, but it does not upset her, and she goes to grab her own apples and flour, to make the crumble herself.

There is a long queue at the tills, but Nana is determined to buy the ingredients, so she waits. When she gets to the cashier, she smiles at the young worker, but he does not hide the fact that he is not happy with his job and gives her a blank look with no greeting. She packs away her groceries while the cashier is counting the coins, and she leaves.

Nana is now walking home but decides to take a break on a bench at a local park, where she watches as kids run around the playground, and families go on walks with strollers and dogs. This lifts her mood, but suddenly it starts to rain and everyone in the park is now running back home and their cars. Quickly the park becomes empty, and Nana continues home.

Towards her comes a man with his unleashed dog and the dog starts jumping on Nana, leaving paw prints all over her coat. Runing her favorite coat Nana still pets the dog and watches as it runs back to the owner. Continuing, she gets splashed by a car and pauses for a second, as the water drips down her coat and bag, before walking ahead again.

Nana is finally home where she can take the soaking wet coat off and light up a fireplace. She wastes no time and starts preparing the ingredients for the Apple Crumble, only to notice the flour she bought has been destroyed by all the water outside. Luckily, she had some flour left in her pantry. She has prepared everything and put the Apple Crumble in the oven to bake. Nana is exhausted and sits down on her couch, beside her we see framed photos of her on her wedding day, her children and grandchildren, and a single photo of her husband who is no longer here. She starts dozing off and eventually falls asleep. Later she wakes up to the smell of smoke from the burning Apple Crumble. Nana quickly turns her oven off, opens the windows to get rid of the smoke, and takes the burnt cake out. Now, we see her genuinely disappointed, sitting at the table looking at the burnt cake. Soon, there is a ring from the doorbell and Nana gets up to go greet her son with his wife and kids. Opening the door, she puts on a smile for everyone and hugs her grandkids. Her daughter-in-law surprises her with a homemade Apple Crumble she has made, and Nana is excited to make tea for everyone and still having the chance to eat a cake with family. She throws away the burnt cake and everyone laughs about the whole situation. Everyone takes a slice of the Apply Crumble and there is a slice left, which then crumbles a bit.

*Pitch:*

Crumble is a family friendly animated short story that resonates with viewers of all ages and backgrounds. Whether you’re young or old, male or female, this story invites you to immerse yourself in its world and discover the theme of family and happiness.