

Equestria Girls Web Series Shorts: Premises 1-12

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1.) Superpowers That Be*Rainbow Dash, Sunset Shimmer, Twilight Sparkle*

Rainbow Dash, Twilight Sparkle, and Sunset Shimmer stroll along the street downtown, heading to Sugarcube Corner. Across the street, Fluttershy and her brother Zephyr Breeze wave to them. Oh no—he has an unrequited crush on Rainbow! Rainbow panics and zooms away in a Speed Burst. Fluttershy introduces Sunset and Twilight to Zephyr. As Sunset shakes his hand, she winces (because she is having an Empathy Vision—seeing Zephyr’s thoughts about Rainbow Dash doing some innocent date-like thing him). Awkward!! Fluttershy and Zephyr Breeze head inside Sugarcube Corner.

“Is he gone?” Rainbow is back again, looks relieved. She starts talking about how much she loves her superpower because it comes in handy for situations like this. Sunset explains that she *doesn’t* love hers all the time—it’s way too much to have to listen/see everyone’s inner thoughts. We do a quick silly montage of visions she’s had to endure that were less-than-fun. She wishes she could control her magic for use only when someone/a friend truly needs help!

Twilight also thinks that since the magic is so unpredictable, they should try to find a way to contain it in their geodes permanently for those exact situations. Rainbow reluctantly agrees. The girls go back to Twi’s lab, where she uses science to capture the magic (like she did with her necklace in Friendship Games). Together, they can discover the rules of their magic powers and the responsibilities that go along with them. The result? Pony power-ups/geode activations now happen only when they touch the geode and think of the power of friendship-- it has to be intentional. They also discover that when two of them use their power at the same time, the magic is different (“better together”). We end with Sunset touching her necklace as she places her hand on Twilight’s arm. “You’re right, Twi—we never got our milkshakes!” “I can fix that!” says Rainbow as she touches her necklace. She’s gone in a rainbow blur. A second later she’s back with three milkshakes. They “cheers” and laugh.

2.) Star Crossed*Twilight Sparkle and Timber Spruce*

Sci-Twi waits nervously on the steps of the Canterlot Observatory for her big date with Timber Spruce. She is fidgety. She checks her watch... then checks her reflection in the glass of the watch. Her eyes dart around at the random people entering and exiting the building. A family with a small child walks past, the young boy waving around his toy telescope and looking into it. He keeps running into things and accidentally runs right into the legs of... Timber Spruce! Timber laughs and pats the boy on the head.

Sci-Twi waves him over, blushing. After awkward greetings are exchanged, Twilight explains that she chose the observatory for their date because she thought it might put Timber at ease to do something involving nature. Also, she loves astronomy. “So do I!” he says and starts rattling off complicated names of constellations. Sci-Twi is starry eyed as she follows him into the planetarium, past a statue of Star Swirl the Bearded, the famous Astronomer.

Inside, they take their seats and lean back to watch to the show. The lights start to dim when the little boy from before runs right into the center display of the planets (the projector is in the middle of them), knocking the whole thing over! Twilight’s touches her geode, it glows, and she saves the day by using her levitating magic to lift the planets back up and even makes them orbit around one another during the show. Timber is impressed.

3.) A Fine Line

Sunset Shimmer and Mane Six

Sunset Shimmer waits patiently in a massive line at the mall. We see posters for a hot new video game. She taps her toes and cranes her neck—it seems to stretch on forever! It’s going to be a long night. Sunset sighs and brings out a book to read. Rarity (who is carrying tons of shopping bags) sees her and comes over to stand with her friend. The girls laugh and talk. One by one, the rest of the Mane 7 join the line over the course of the evening. They play cards, drink smoothies, take silly pictures together, etc. They are having so much fun that before Sunset knows it she is at the front of the line! But just as she steps forward to purchase her new video game, the cashier announces that the games are sold out. Sunset is bummed, but tells her friends that it’s okay-- their fun evening together meant more to her than the game anyway. “Ohhh, so that’s what we were waiting for?!” Pinkie Pie giggles. “Why didn’t you say so? I thought we were just having a line party!” Pinkie Pie laughs and pulls a copy of the game out of her backpack. “Here ya go, Sunset! I pre-ordered this for you months ago.” Sunset is overjoyed to have such thoughtful friends.

4.) A Little Bird Told Me

Fluttershy

Fluttershy sits in class, taking a math test. She is super frazzled/stressed out! She bites her lip as scribbles and erases furiously on her paper. Suddenly, a bird flies in through the open window and sits on her shoulder. Fluttershy smiles and touches her geode necklace. The necklace glows, allowing her to understand what the bird is saying. It chirps and Fluttershy giggles. “Oh thank you,” she whispers. “That helps a lot.” What’s really happening: she is calmed by the bird’s presence as it encourages her. What a classmate (Trixie?) sees: that bird is telling Fluttershy the answers!!

When the test gets returned, Fluttershy gets an awesome grade! Trixie didn't do as well, so she accuses Fluttershy of cheating by using her superpower. Trixie recalls a few other instances that the animals seemingly helped her on assignments (which we see in a montage). The teacher asks her if it's true and of course, Fluttershy denies it. But how can she prove herself? The bird chirps something to her. "That's a great idea!" Fluttershy smiles. We cut to several animals sitting at desks with the class, watching quietly as Fluttershy completes a math problem. She is super nervous to be in front of the class, but Fluttershy proves that she knows her stuff all on her own by completing the equation on the board. The teacher nods that she is correct and all the animals tweet, chirp, meow, titter, etc. as a cheer. Later, Fluttershy helps Trixie by lending her a fuzzy hamster to pet while she does her homework—it really does help to have an animal friend!

5.) School of Rock

Mane Seven

Music Video

The girls are on a class field trip to the Natural History Museum, but it's lacking in excitement. They stand in the "Rock & Gemstone" Wing listening to the docent, Maud Pie explain boring facts about rock formation in her monotone voice. We pan across the bored faces of the Mane Seven: Fluttershy yawns, Applejack rubs her eye, Sunset checks her watch, Rainbow Dash folds her museum guide into a paper airplane, Twilight's eyes droop in between each sentence she scribbles into her notes, Rarity stares at the glittering gems in the distance, and Pinkie Pie is giggling—rapt with attention for her sister (she's the only one). Even Principal Celestia is bored!

"Pssst!" Rainbow Dash gets the other girls' attention. "Anyone else falling asleep? Let's kick things up a notch!" We transition into a music video where the girls are singing about the rocks and minerals (using a lot of rock puns, of course). The lyrics include some of the facts that Maud said—but in a way more fun rock n' roll way. Rarity uses her geode to power up and throw crystal shields to each band member. The Rainbooms step on them and float through the museum as they sing—past the dinosaur bones, the animal displays, and the models of mountains/trees (can appear Magic School Bus-esque). The class is totally enthralled! At the end, everything falls back to reality. Maud is still explaining the boring facts. The girls all giggle with one another.

Alt: Non-Music Video Version

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Finally, Maud announces it's time for the students to team up in pairs to compete in a museum scavenger hunt. The first pair to take pictures of all the items on the list wins a special mystery prize! The class comes back to life a bit. Our girls pair up: Rainbow Dash and Fluttershy, Rarity and AJ, Twilight and Sunset, and Pinkie Pie... by herself! We see a montage of everyone running around doing funny things: RD & Fluttershy gawking at the gigantic dinosaur bones, AJ trying to drag Rarity away from a massive rock that looks like "Tom the Rock" from one side (it's really sparkly on the inside), and Twilight and Sunset laughing at a display of fake ponies. Pinkie Pie is doing all of the above (and more) as she bounces around. Finally... time's up! "We found everything on the list except 'The Best Rock'! How are we supposed to know which one that is?" Rainbow exclaims, pointing to the hundreds of rocks in the room. "Duhh! It's Boulder!" Pinkie Pie points to her sister's favorite rock, tucked inside the display. The girls all exchange confused looks. "Oh, thanks. There he is. You win the prize, Pinkie. You get to hold Boulder." Maud hands an overjoyed Pinkie Pie the rock. Her friends all look glad to have not won, after all.

6.) Road Trip

Mane Seven, Big Mac, Trixie

Big Mac is driving the tour bus. The girls and Trixie are all riding in back (with their instruments. Rarity asks AJ (who has set up the gig) what it's going to be like. "I don't know much but I do know it's gonna be a huge fancy party!" AJ replies. The girls all start musing, imagining what kind of fancy affair it will be. They are so excited! They drive on. We cut back and forth between the bus and a Candyland/Game of Life map of the bus driving through the winding roads. "Are we there yet?!" Pinkie Pie asks throughout. "Eeenope," Big Mac keeps replying. As we go on, the bus runs into a series of problems: a wrong turn, bored Pinkie singing a song like "This is the song that never ends," everyone needing to stop to get snacks, AJ having to change a flat tire, etc. Finally, Pinkie Pie asks "Are we there yet?" and Big Mac replies with an "Eeeyup!" They run out excitedly to the venue. It's a hoedown barn party hosted by Goldie Delicious (Granny Smith's cousin) and the guests are all elderly. Not the fancy party they were expecting at all! But—it's still fun to be with your friends and play music to make people happy! They all shrug and run inside to play an awesome set and have fun doing it.

7.) The Pinkie Pie Babysitting Rap: Music Video??

Pinkie Pie, Kid, Rarity

Rarity has a conflict in her schedule, so Pinkie Pie offers to help out by taking over the babysitting job she was supposed to do later that evening. Rarity is so

grateful! She promises Pinkie that it will be a total piece of cake—the girl she babysits is *so* calm and easy. She doesn't need much looking after at all, just a companion. When Pinkie Pie arrives, she discovers that Rarity wasn't kidding! The kid won't do anything but sit and read or play on her tablet (maybe she's bummed that her parents are gone, too?). This is super frustrating to Pinkie Pie. She just wants to show her a fun time, and who better to throw a party of two than her?!

We watch as she breaks into a rap song all about different ways to have fun (crazy silly stuff here, including the use of Pinkie Pie's geode magic SPRINKLE POWER!). At first, the little girl won't do anything. But then, over the course of the song she joins in. By the end, the two of them are singing/rapping together and having a blast. Pinkie Pie thinks she's helped the girl out of her shell. But then as the song ends, the girl goes right back to reading. Huh? Pinkie is baffled and asks the kid about it. She says that she prefers quiet activity, but teases that some babysitters just need more looking after than others— and Pinkie Pie seemed like she needed to have a good time!

8.) The Finals Countdown: Music Video

Mane Seven

The girls all sit together in Twilight's room. She has called an important "meeting". Every one is curious, assuming that it has something to do with their powers or a scientific discovery. But, Twi pulls out a huge study calendar instead. Awww man! Finals are coming up. Everyone groans. Twilight helms an intense "final countdown" song as they all study for finals almost as if they are working out. They are super-stressed throughout as the pressure mounts. AJ makes flashcards, wiping away sweat. Twilight climbs up and down the ladder at the library. Rainbow writes "Good Will Hunting" style equations on a board, etc....

Finally... the date on the study calendar gets circled in red! It's *the* day. But our girls are ready—wearing sweatbands and wielding number 2 pencils. Rainbow holds her calculator up to the sky like a warrior in Braveheart! They run to their classrooms and we cycle through shots of all them singing/taking their tests. The bell rings. Pencils down. They burst outside and all meet each other, high-fiving and collapsing onto the grass with smiles. They did it!!

9.) Display of Affection

Rarity, Sunset Shimmer, Prim Hemline/Sassy Saddles

Rarity is working at her job at the boutique, hanging up dresses on a rack. Her boss the super-strict (Devil Wears Prada-esque), Prim Hemline, comes over. She tells Rarity that after watching her extreme dedication to the store for months, she has finally decided to give Rarity a chance to do something very important—design the window display for Summer season! It is such a huge honor that

Rarity is elated. “Don’t mess it up!” Prim Hemline warns her. The pressure is mounting as Rarity scrambles to create the perfect display. But nothing seems good enough to impress Prim! After work, Rarity goes out with Sunset Shimmer to take her mind off things. The two of them happen to walk past an incredibly cool (and locally famous) street art mural and it inspires Rarity. She muses that she wishes she knew that famous artist (she mentions an alias name like Banksy), so that they could help her with the window. But Rarity will make do with trying to recreate the style on her own. Sunset is oddly fidgety during this conversation. Later, we see Sunset at home. She’s got all the stuff that proves SHE is the famous street artist... shocker! Sunset looks at her paints, stencils, and drop cloths as she considers whether or not to tell Rarity... she has to help her friend, right?

The next day, a super excited Rarity stands in front of the window display. There is a curtain in front. Prim Hemline watches, arms crossed as Rarity’s pulls a rope to open the curtains and reveal the incredible display! In back, there is a mural similar to the one from before, along with mannequins that are wearing cool matching street/sporty outfits. A moment passes and Prim does nothing. Rarity is nervous. Finally Prim nods. “Adequate job, Rarity. Get back to work.” Rarity is overjoyed at the response—apparently that means she loved it!

Sunset Shimmer comes over to compliment the window display, acting innocent. But she definitely looks tired. “I’m so proud of you, Rarity!” Rarity thanks her friend and pulls Sunset into a hug, which activates Sunset’s telepathic power! Sunset hears Rarity saying through her mind, “Thank you for helping me with the mural. Don’t worry, darling. I won’t tell anyone you’re the artist!” Sunset blushes—her secret is out.

10.) My Little Shop of Horrors: Music Video

Twilight, Spike

Twilight and Spike stand in Principal Celestia’s lush backyard greenhouse. Twilight explains that she agreed to water and look after Celestia’s plants while she was away. “I can do her a favor and it will be the perfect opportunity to learn more about botany!” Twilight gets started and in typical type-A fashion, she is over doing it. Over a span of a few days, she sings to the plants, reads to them, and gives them tons of extra love and unnecessary care. Then, Twi decides to be efficient by watering them with levitating watering cans all at once!

She dances around, using her magic (“Matilda” making pancakes-style) and soon the magic energy does something crazy! The plants start singing too! It’s like the Enchanted Tiki Room. It’s amazing! But then, the plants start growing and getting stronger, reaching their vines out for her and Spike. They lift them high up and spin them around. Twilight is freaked out—this is not what Principal Celestia would want! She has to get them under control with her magic. In the end, everything returns back to normal and Twilight is exhausted and sweating.

Something taps her on the shoulder and hands her a tissue/towel. It's one last plant vine! Twilight "zaps" it as Principal Celestia walks in. "Thanks Twilight!"

11.) Queen of Clubs

Applejack and Rarity

Applejack leads a pig on a rope leash into school, whistling. She runs into Rarity, who squeals in shock. "What ever are you doing with that piggie in school, Applejack?" Applejack replies that it's yearbook picture day for clubs and she just couldn't leave her pig out of the Young Farmers Club photo! She jokes that she will have to get Fluttershy to pig-sit during all the other photos though—this year she is in too may clubs to count. AJ rattles off a long list of super-specific club names and Rarity interjects. "Tell me about it! I'm in so many clubs, I can hardly keep them all straight!" The two go back and forth one-upping each other. AJ mentions that it's not too late to join other clubs.... The two come to an unspoken challenge—who can be in the most clubs?!

The next part is a montage of Rarity and AJ quickly joining clubs of all kinds: Chess Club, Movie Club, Karate Club, Knitting Club, Cartwheel Club, Ogres and Oubliettes Club, etc. After each "join" we freeze frame on the photo that is taken for the yearbook. It's mayhem! AJ and Rarity get increasingly more frazzled/confused by the end of the photos (mid-cartwheel falling over, mid-knitting with yarn everywhere). We fast forward to: AJ and Rarity getting their yearbooks and opening them, excited to see who has "won". They flip through and AJ smiles, content. "That's fifteen fer you and fifteen fer me. Looks like we tied!" Rarity slyly turns the page and shows AJ one last club—it's just a photo of a perfect looking Rarity winking. "You forgot Rarity Club! I'm the only member." AJ's jaw drops.

12.) Comic Book Style: Music Video

Mane Seven

The Mane Seven's tour bus is driving along the road. We pull back to reveal that they are crossing the bridge to Big Apple City. When they arrive, they jump out of the bus holding guidebooks, obviously planning to visit a tourist spot or two, but quickly are called upon to use their superpowers to help others. First, they are in the park and a little boy on a bike almost rides it into a pond! Twilight quickly levitates him and the bike and places them back on the path—he thanks her, embarrassed. The girls all grin and continue on. Nearby, an old lady is going too slow crossing the street. All the taxis are honking until Rainbow Dash speeds up and guides her the rest of the way super fast. The lady smiles gratefully. We also see Fluttershy help some city pigeons and squirrels, Rarity stop a thief from stealing jewelry from a Tiffany's-style store with a gem shield, AJ lifting a fallen beam for some confused construction workers, etc.

We also see duos of the girls working together to use their powers. Sunset listens to a street musician playing all by herself, looking sad. Sunset tosses a coin in the guitar case and pats her shoulder, getting a vision that the girl just wants an audience. So Rainbow rounds up a small crowd by running around them in a rainbow circle really fast. The people listen to the musician and start dancing. As it's getting dark, Pinkie Pie gets a bunch of ice cream cones from a truck for some kids in near the "Crystaller Building". She adds some sprinkles and then has a better idea! Her friends all gather together as she catapults sprinkle fireworks up to the sky, illuminating the scene and entertaining the crowd below. What an awesome day!

Alt: An actual superhero version of the day in the city where the girls wear their costumes (as in Movie Magic) and battle a huge Godzilla-like monster or the Maneiac.