MY LITTLE PONY EQUESTRIA GIRLS:

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SHORT 5: "Road Trippin'"

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SC. 1- EXT. TOUR BUS - MORNING

The MANE SEVEN climb into their seats on the TOUR BUS. They are surrounded by their INSTRUMENTS and EQUIPMENT.

FLUTTERSHY struggles to lift her heavy case in through the open door. APPLEJACK reaches out and uses her “super strength” to help. TWILIGHT surveys a clipboard.

1 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Instruments? Check. Directions to Cousin Goldie’s party? Check. Band members?

2 EVERYONE
...CHECK!

3 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Perfect! We’re a little behind schedule, but if we get on the road in the next thirty-seven seconds, we’ll make just in time to go on stage.

4 WALLA
Yeah!/Alright!/Let’s go!

But the bus doesn’t go anywhere. We ANGLE ON the empty driver’s seat. Record scratch!

GRANNY SMITH climbs into the drivers’ seat.

5 GRANNY SMITH
I’m your driver for today. Buckle up, Rainbooms!

Applejack’s face falls. Granny puts on some SUNGLASSES and grips the steering wheel. (NOTE: All passengers are wearing seat belts.)

Granny drives the bus out of Sweet Apple Acres and onto the highway. Immediately, the bus hits a WALL OF TRAFFIC.

Twilight holds up her PHONE.

6 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Don’t worry! The G.P.S. has accounted for traffic.

7 GRANNY SMITH
G.P.- whatta now? We don’t need that ninny new-fangled thingamajiggy. I know me a shortcut!

The girls exchange a nervous look.

8 PINKIE PIE
Woohoo! Step on it, Granny!

Granny makes a sharp left and peels out!

CUT TO:

SC. 2 - EXT./INT. COUNTRY ROAD SHORTCUT- NOT LONG AFTER

The bus is stopped.

The girls lean out the window to see that a HERD OF COWS is standing right in the middle of the road, chewing cud. Fluttershy hops out, “talks” to the cows.

The herd walks away. Fluttershy smiles and waves.

9 FLUTTERSHY
Thank you! Sorry to interrupt your lunch!

The bus rolls on...

Granny pulls up to the entrance of a RURAL DIRT ROAD lined with thickets of OVERGROWN BUSHES and SPOOKY TREES. A rickety GATE is swung open. Fluttershy whimpers.

The bus barrels down the bumpy road. CLOSE UP on the TIRES bouncing through major POT HOLES.

CUT TO INSIDE: the girls hold on tight as they bounce around. Everyone looks terrified, except Pinkie Pie, who giggles.

CUT TO:

SC. 4 - INT./EXT. COUNTRY ROAD SHORTCUT- MONTAGE - SHORTLY AFTER

--ANGLE ON a BLOWN OUT TIRE. We ZOOM OUT to reveal Applejack as she LIFTS the car with her super strength. Twilight levitates the old tire away and replaces it with a SPARE TIRE. They run back inside the bus. It continues on until...

-- FALLEN TREES lay across the road. Pinkie Pie hops out and “sprinkle blasts” them out of the way in colorful explosions. She jumps back in as the bus is on its way again.

10 PINKIE PIE
If a tree falls in the woods and then gets sprinkle-blasted to bits, did it ever really exist?!

11 RAINBOW DASH
Pinkie, I love your riddles... but I also love-- BRIDGE!!

12 PINKIE PIE

You love bridge?! I had no idea! Good

thing I brought my cards with me.

Pinkie Pie whips out a DECK OF CARDS.

Rainbow looks panicked-- she points ahead. PAN OVER to reveal that the fast-approaching road includes a CRUMBLING BRIDGE over a RIVER.

13 GRANNY SMITH
Hold onto your horses, girls!

The bus barrels over the bridge!

14 EVERYONE
AhhhhHHH!

IN SLOW MOTION: we see CLOSE UPS of...

Applejack's jaw dropping as her COWBOY HAT flies up from her head. Fluttershy covering her eyes. Sunset covering her mouth. Twilight yelling as her GLASSES fly off her nose. Rainbow Dash's hands on her head in despair. Pinkie Pie with her arms up like she's on a roller coaster.

CRASH! WIDEN TO REVEAL that the bus has burst through a FILM SET FACADE that only looked like a crumbling bridge.

A FILM CREW mills around. Tons of EQUIPMENT and LIGHTS everywhere. The FEMALE MOVIE DIRECTOR shouts into her MEGAPHONE.

15 FEMALE MOVIE DIRECTOR
CUUUUUT!
(annoyed/sighing)
Not *again.* Can we re-set, please? And somebody get a lock-up on that road!

Our girls are puzzled.

Granny high-tails it out of there and drives on through the trees. Finally, the bus breaks into the light and onto a normal road...

CUT TO:

SC. 6 - EXT. GOLDIE DELICIOUS BARN - RIGHT AFTER

The bus stops screeches to a halt in front of a YELLOW BARN. GOLDIE DELICIOUS stands on stage, waving and smiling. A few of her CATS weave through her legs and purr(see MLP Ep# 409). Lights are strung up above a makeshift dance floor surrounded by BALES OF HAY. PARTYGOERS mill about, drinking cups of APPLE CIDER.

16 GOLDIE DELICIOUS
Please welcome... The Rainbooms!

The girls rush up on stage, instruments in hand. They look shell-shocked. Goldie joins Granny with two MUGS OF CIDER.

17 GOLDIE DELICIOUS (CONT'D)
How was the drive, dear?

Granny flips her SUNGLASSES down.

18 GRANNY SMITH
Easy peasy lemon-squeezy.

They giggle and clink their glasses. A Rainbooms song starts up as we...

FADE OUT.