

**MY LITTLE PONY
EQUESTRIA GIRLS
WEB SERIES
CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE**

**"Fluttershy's Butterflies"
Short #403-035**

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SET UP

INT. CAFETERIA - DAY

Students mill about the cafeteria. SUNSET SHIMMER, TWILIGHT SPARKLE, APPLEJACK, RARITY, and RAINBOW DASH sit together. The approaching <SQUEAL> of PINKIE PIE gets their attention.

1 PINKIE PIE (O.S.)
Aieeeeeeeeeeeeeee!

Pinkie slides to a stop and SLAMS a FLYER on the table.

2 SUNSET SHIMMER
(reading)
Auditions for the fall play?

Twilight and Pinkie Pie share a giddy <YAY>!

3 RARITY
How absolutely lovely. Nothing holds a candle to the glamour of legitimate theatre.

4 RAINBOW DASH
I like it when people clap for me.

5 PINKIE PIE
Twilight you could try directing!
Rarity could do costumes! I COULD PLAY (air-drumming) DR-DR-DR-DRUMS!

6 FLUTTERSHY
(soft)
...yayyyy.....

7 PINKIE PIE
(not hearing FS)
It's like planning the most amazing party and THEN everyone gets to watch it! Look, Fluttershy's so excited she can't even speak...

They all turn to see... FLUTTERSHY IS SO NERVOUS.

8 FLUTTERSHY
(scaring herself more and more...)
I want to try out, but maybe instead of getting on stage, in front of everyone, all alone... I'll just hide in the bathroom.

She tries to scoot away but Applejack steps in front of her.

9 APPLEJACK

Fluttershy, I'm here to help. By the time I'm done with you, stage fright'll be a thing of the past.

10 RAINBOW DASH

(stepping in front of AJ)
Those butterflies are no match for me-- lemme teach you everything I know. I'm ready to serve.

11 APPLEJACK

(playfully stepping back in front of RD)
I'm ready to serve more!

As they jostle each other, Fluttershy thinks it over.

12 FLUTTERSHY

Thank you both. I pick, um, oh...

Three options appear: Rainbow Dash, Applejack, and DJ-PON3.

ENDING A: RAINBOW DASH

INT. AUDITORIUM - LATER

Rainbow Dash sits herself down in the front row, lying across two seats with her feet in the air. Fluttershy on stage.

13 RAINBOW DASH

Let me hear your line.

14 FLUTTERSHY

<MUMBLE MUMBLE>

15 RAINBOW DASH

LOUDERRRRRR!

16 FLUTTERSHY

"...I will not rest until I achieve my goal."

17 RAINBOW DASH

Hm. You just need a lil' practice speaking in front of a crowd.
(an idea forming)
Do you trust me?

PUSH IN ON FLUTTERSHY, nervous, but she nods and we CUT TO:

EXT. SOCCER FIELD - DAY

Rainbow Dash leads a charge in soccer practice. She points up at the ANNOUNCER BOX and gives a THUMBS-UP.

18 FLUTTERSHY (V.O.)
(through the stadium PA)
There goes... um... number 22 with
the... score time... running...
ummmmm... help me, somebody...

The crowd exchanges looks. Players are distracted.

INT. ANNOUNCER'S BOOTH - SAME

Fluttershy sits before a microphone, watching the game below.

19 FLUTTERSHY
The... ball goes up and... boom,
there's, it's a header-ball, head
ball... um, oh no, ahhhh...

Below, Rainbow Dash yells up through the glass--

20 RAINBOW DASH
GET INTO IT! YOU CAN DO IT!

21 FLUTTERSHY
(more excited as she goes)
Number 22 passes... the ball, it's
tucked away by number 34, who
passes back to Dash, she holds it,
makes her move, she's cutting in,
here comes the cross, she's wide
open, I don't believe it--!

HARD CUT TO:

INT. AUDITORIUM - LATER

Crowded for auditions, with Fluttershy on stage, energetic...

22 FLUTTERSHY
"I will not rest until I achieve my
(her arms in the air)
GOAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAL!"

CHEERS from the audience/the girls. Pleased, PRINCIPAL CELESTIA makes notes on a clipboard. RD gives FS a wink.

23 RAINBOW DASH
And the crowd goes wild...!

IRIS OUT.

ENDING B: APPLEJACK

EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Applejack paces in front of Fluttershy.

24 APPLEJACK

Sure-firest cure for stage-fright
is to picture everyone in the
audience as a bunch of chickens.

25 FLUTTERSHY

Chickens?!

26 APPLEJACK

You never heard this trick?
Everyone does it. And I mean
everyone.

27 FLUTTERSHY

Is that true?

28 APPLEJACK

Yes ma'am.

29 FLUTTERSHY

Even you do it?

REVEAL: Fluttershy is asking one of the chickens on the farm.
FS's GEM glows as the chicken CLUCKS. FS listens, amazed.

30 APPLEJACK

...Told ya.

INT. AUDITORIUM - LATER

Fluttershy slinks out onto the stage. She squints in the
spotlight. Fluttershy freezes up. She takes a deep breath.
She looks over the crowd.

31 APPLEJACK (V.O.)

*Sure-firest cure for stage-fright
is to picture everyone in the
audience as a bunch of chickens.*

Her friends watch from the audience... except AJ, who stands
backstage in the wings. Fluttershy nervously looks to her.

32 APPLEJACK

You can do this, Fluttershy...!

Fluttershy nods, then looks out one more time. <SOFT WIND CHIMES> as a calming mood passes over her. She smiles.

33 FLUTTERSHY

I'm Fluttershy, trying out for the chorus.

Principle Celestia takes notes on her clipboard as we CUT TO:

INT. HALLWAY - LATER

The girls walk out of the auditorium. Lots of <EXCITED CROWD WALLA>.

34 APPLEJACK

Chicken trick worked, huh.

35 FLUTTERSHY

Not exactly. I pictured everyone in the audience as you, Applejack.

36 APPLEJACK

As me...?!

37 RAINBOW DASH

(kidding)

You do kinda look like a chicken...

38 FLUTTERSHY

That's not what I mean.

QUICK FLASH TO: Fluttershy on stage, look at the audience, as they dissolve into VISIONS OF APPLEJACK. In unison, they say:

39 APPLEJACKS IN THE AUDIENCE

"We believe in you, Fluttershy."

BACK TO SCENE.

Fluttershy blushes, embarrassed, but Applejack is touched.

40 APPLEJACK

Awwwwwww. Well I'm glad you were able to imagine it one way or the other, cause my backup plan wasn't so hot.

Just then, they hear a commotion down the hall. BIG MAC runs through an intersection being chased by SQUAWKING CHICKENS.

41 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
Speaking of which, I should
probably get them back to the
farm...

IRIS OUT.

ENDING C: DJ PON-3

INT. CAFETERIA - MOMENTS LATER

Picking up right at Fluttershy's decision... she looks back and forth between AJ and RD, who wait with expectant looks on their faces.

Then Fluttershy looks past them to see...

DJ PON-3 in the background, wearing headphones and bopping her head. PUSH IN on Fluttershy getting an idea.

DISSOLVE TO:

INT. AUDITORIUM - LATER

The stage is dark. The audience is full of kids, talking amongst themselves. Principal Celestia is engrossed in note-taking at her clipboard. SUDDENLY--

A LOUD BASS BOOM and the LIGHTS DIM.

Everyone looks around, confused at the sound of music... A DUBSTEP INTRO fading in as FOG MACHINES blow smoke onto the stage. In the crowd, Applejack and Rainbow Dash exchange a confused look, neither one knowing what's going on.

As the music gets louder, CUT BACKSTAGE, revealing:

DJ-PON3 has her DJ equipment set up. She spins records, sliding up the volume and hitting switches on a deck, causing...

A LASER LIGHT SHOW TO BEGIN.

Kids' jaws hang open.

The dubstep intro reaches its peak as DJ-PON3 DROPS THE BEAT!

On stage, S&P-friendly pyrotechnics EXPLODE!

The crowd goes WILD!

Even Principal Celestia is rocking out to the beat.

Finally, the music and light show slow down and the smoke clears, revealing FLUTTERSHY. The song finishes with an amazing flourish and then the auditorium is plunged into silence. Fluttershy holds up her script and mumbles...

42 FLUTTERSHY

(soft)

I'm Fluttershy and my line is "I
will not rest until I achieve my
goal," thank you.

She bows. Long beat. Then DJ-PON3 gives the "rock on" finger salute, we hear a quick MUSIC CUE, and we CUT TO BLACK.