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**"Driving Miss Shimmer"
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SET UP

INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY - DAY

SUNSET SHIMMER is surrounded by her friends APPLEJACK, RARITY and FLUTTERSHY. She's distraught, they're worried. Fluttershy looks over a piece of paper-- TEST RESULTS.

1 FLUTTERSHY
What do you mean, you failed?

Sunset sinks against the wall.

2 SUNSET SHIMMER
Mr. Cranky Doodle said I didn't have enough experience to pass the driving test. I have a retest on Monday, but it's my last chance and...

3 APPLEJACK
...And what?

4 SUNSET SHIMMER
He wants me to practice with someone experienced. Someone with a car. And a license.

5 RARITY
Darling, is that all? I can take you any time you like!

6 APPLEJACK
Yeah, don't fret your fritters about it! I can borrow Granny's truck!

7 FLUTTERSHY
I shuttle animals for the shelter on weekends all the time!

Sunset smiles, grateful for her friends.

8 SUNSET SHIMMER
Well, I guess I'll go with...

Three options appear: Rarity, Applejack, and Fluttershy.

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ENDING A: RARITY

EXT. CANTERLOT HIGH PARKING LOT - DAY

Sunset waits at the curb, cranes her neck looking for Rarity, checks her phone to see the time, then is surprised when-- a stretch limo pulls up in front of her. The window in the back rolls down to reveal a seat-belted Rarity.

9 SUNSET SHIMMER
Uh, Rarity?

10 RARITY
Isn't it fabulous? I rented it for
the day. If you're going to learn to
drive, you simply must do it in
style.

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INT. LIMO - MOMENTS LATER

Sunset gets in the backseat next to Rarity. It's a long space, with all the amenities - bottled water, candies, cupholders, snacks. The partition is open.

11 RARITY
Now, a few things you absolutely
must know.

12 SUNSET SHIMMER
Yes, please-- I need practical tips.

13 RARITY
Always have both sparkling and still
water, as you never know **which** your
passengers **may prefer**.

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Sunset looks confused.

14 SUNSET SHIMMER
Rarity... I'm not **trying** to be a
chauffeur. I'm just looking to get
my driver's license!

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Rarity blinks.

15 RARITY
Whatever is the difference?

EXT. LIMO - MOMENTS LATER

ANGLE ON the driver's window. Sunset KNOCKS. *The window rolls down and we see THE CHAUFFEUR, an adult.* *
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16 SUNSET SHIMMER
Mind scooting over? *

CUT TO:

INT./EXT. LIMO/STREET - LATER

Sunset Shimmer trying to parallel park, *the chauffeur in the passenger seat, as Rarity gives direction from the back.* *
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17 RARITY
Just a little bit-oh! No, just an
inch to the left-now, check the
mirrors! Shoulder, shoulder (etc.)

Sunset inches forward/backward in 100 tiny attempts to park.

18 RARITY (O.S.) (cont'd)
Don't scratch the paint!

HARD CUT TO:

INT. DRIVERS' ED CAR - MONDAY

A DRIVER'S ED CAR in a parking lot of safety cones, where Mr. Cranky is droning on in the passenger seat, clipboard out. Sunset sits behind the wheel.

19 MR. CRANKY DOODLE
Not bad, Sunset. Now, we're coming
up to what some students see as the
hardest part of the test - parallel
parking. It can be a very difficult
skill to master, but with
persistence-

20 SUNSET SHIMMER
--Done!

REVEAL: the car is FLAWLESSLY parallel parked. CUT TO: Mr. Cranky and Sunset outside the car. He's scratching his head.

21 MR. CRANKY DOODLE
Where on earth did you learn to do
that?!

22 SUNSET SHIMMER
 (smiling)
Oh, it's a LONG story.

He STAMPS A GREEN STAMP THUMBS-UP on his clipboard form and
we CUT TO BLACK.

ENDING B: APPLEJACK

EXT. APPLEJACK'S FARM - DAY

Sunset and Applejack are walking towards a barn, ready to
start their lesson.

23 SUNSET SHIMMER
Thanks for helping me out,
Applejack!

24 APPLEJACK
Think nothin' of it! I've been
looking for a reason to take a spin
in the ol' jalopy.

GRANNY SMITH appears at their sides.

25 GRANNY SMITH
Who are you callin' a jalopy?!

INT. BARN - MOMENTS LATER

Granny whips the tarp off a pickup truck, and dust flies
everywhere - nobody's driven it for years. Sunset <COUGHS>.

26 GRANNY SMITH
See? Like she's fresh off the lot!

27 APPLEJACK
I can't believe she's still in such
good condition!

28 SUNSET SHIMMER
 (coughing)
She's something, alright!

Granny and Applejack look at the car with reverence.

29 GRANNY SMITH
You girls ready for the ride of your
lives?

INT. JALOPY - MOMENTS LATER

Everyone climbs into the car, Sunset in the driver's side, Granny beside her, AJ in back. Seatbelts are on.

30 GRANNY SMITH

Now, the first thing you ought to know is--

They hear a <POP>, and look at each other, as the car begins to slowly sink down. They look out and see A FLAT TIRE.

ANGLE ON A BOX IN THE BACK OF THE TRUCK: Sunset opens it, revealing safety items - flashlight, maps, batteries, rope, spare tire, etc.

31 APPLEJACK (O.S.)

Don't you worry! A rig this so-phis-ti-cated, you learn to come prepared.

BY THE FLAT TIRE: Applejack's GEM glows. She uses her SUPER STRENGTH to lift the back end of the truck. Granny holds a wrench.

32 APPLEJACK (cont'd)

Alright, Sunset, now use that wrench to loosen the bolts and we'll get this tire replaced in two shakes.

33 SUNSET SHIMMER

(laughing)

And what if I don't have you or Granny Smith around?

Applejack looks at the box of tools.

34 APPLEJACK

Well...

HARD CUT TO:

INT. DRIVERS' ED CAR - MONDAY

Mr. Cranky Doodle with his clipboard, looking over the test car with a scowl on his face. He kicks a FLAT TIRE.

35 MR. CRANKY DOODLE

Now, this is unfortunate, but a worthwhile chance to test your preparedness! ...But obviously you don't know how to change a--

36 SUNSET SHIMMER
Not to worry, I know exactly what we
need.

37 MR. CRANKY DOODLE
You... You do?

Sunset pops the trunk and smiles when she sees what's inside.
She pulls out a car jack with an apple insignia on it.

38 SUNSET SHIMMER
An APPLE jack.

IRIS OUT.

ENDING C: FLUTTERSHY

EXT. ANIMAL SHELTER/PET STORE - DAY

Holding a kitten, Fluttershy waves as she sees Sunset arrive.

39 FLUTTERSHY
Sunset! Over here!

Sunset sees Fluttershy's car-- small/yellow, like a VW Bug.

40 SUNSET SHIMMER
Sweet ride, Fluttershy.

41 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, why thank you!

She places the kitten down in front of a flap or crack in the
door, gesturing for it to go back inside.

42 FLUTTERSHY (cont'd)
In you go, miss kitty! I'll be right
back! I promise! Yes, I do!

Sunset is raring to go, clapping her hands together.

43 SUNSET SHIMMER
Alright, let's do this! I'm ready to
clock some miles on this bad boy.

44 FLUTTERSHY
Let's get this party started!

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CUT TO:

INT. FLUTTERSHY'S CAR - MOMENTS LATER

Sunset stares FOR A LONG TIME as Fluttershy adjusts her mirrors, wipers, lights, etc.

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45 FLUTTERSHY

(soft, to herself)

It's the driving safety rhyme, start
your trip with seat belt time. / Ten
and two is the way to do. / Adjust
your mirror and see things
clearer... / Check your engine
light, every trip's alright / Cool
drivers admire--

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46 SUNSET SHIMMER

--Alright--!

47 FLUTTERSHY

(trailing off)

...properly inflated tires...

48 SUNSET SHIMMER

So! What are we learning first?
Turns? Switching lanes? Parking?

49 FLUTTERSHY

Funny you should ask. I actually
have a rhyme for that too...

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Sunset slumps in her seat and we HARD CUT TO:

INT. DRIVERS' ED CAR - MONDAY

Mr. Cranky Doodle and Sunset getting into the test car.

50 MR. CRANKY DOODLE

Now, Sunset, I know all this safety
business might seem boring to you,
but it IS important. Tell me, what
do you do even before you start the
car?

51 SUNSET SHIMMER

Turn up the radioooooo-Oh wait, not
that.

She freezes, seeing his scowl. She's worried for a second,
then starts to mutter Fluttershy's rhyme to herself.

52 SUNSET SHIMMER (cont'd)
It's the driving safety rhyme, start
your trip with seatbelt time...

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She checks her mirrors, seatbelt, etc, as she continues to
softly repeat to herself. Mr. Cranky is impressed/surprised.

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53 MR. CRANKY DOODLE
Very nice, Sunset!

Sunset puts her hands on the wheel at ten and two.

54 SUNSET SHIMMER
I had a little help.

They start to drive, and we IRIS OUT.