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**"Rarity Investigates: The Case of the Bedazzled Boot"
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SET UP

INT. AUDITORIUM - DAY

ON STAGE, a rehearsal is going on. Applejack is on stage, reading from a script.

1 APPLEJACK
"No coal minin' daughter of mine's
goin' to Shiny City wearin' boots
like that!"

We hear a <THUMP!> <THUMP!> <THUMP!>, And then FLUTTERSHY nervously limps across the stage. <MUFFLED LAUGHTER> from the wings, where SNIPS and SNAILS elbow each other. SUNSET SHIMMER pushes past them.

2 SUNSET SHIMMER
Cut! Fluttershy... aren't you
missing something?

Fluttershy looks down. One foot stands in a BEDAZZLED DISCO BOOT, the other wiggles its toes through her SOCK.

3 FLUTTERSHY
...I looked everywhere, but I can
only find one boot.

4 SUNSET SHIMMER
The play is about magic dancing
boots-- plural. No boots plural, no
play... singular.

Fluttershy nods, blushing.

5 APPLEJACK
Know any one-foot hoppin' dances?

Fluttershy shakes her head, blushing.

6 SUNSET SHIMMER
I need my costume designer, stat!
Rarity...!

ANGLE ON: The shadows backstage. When RARITY steps into the light, we realize everything has become BLACK AND WHITE. She puts on her "detective hat" a la MLP 516, *Rarity Investigates*. Down in the orchestra pit, LYRA starts playing muted trumpet jazz.

7 RARITY

Somebody's pilfered my bedazzled boot, eh? Not good. But a new case falling right in my lap? Not bad.

<MUSIC STING> as she raises her eyebrow dramatically. Sunset stares at her blankly.

8 SUNSET SHIMMER

So... you gonna make a new one, or should I buy one, or...?

9 RARITY

Don't worry your pretty red head, missy. I'll find the boot. But where to begin...? Somebody's gotta know something...

Three options appear: Pinkie Pie, Trixie, and Applejack.

ENDING A: PINKIE PIE

INT. JANITOR'S CLOSET - LATER

A janitor's closet Rarity's re-configured as her special office, aka a desk under a hanging light bulb.

Rarity paces around PINKIE PIE, whose eyes are wide with a nervous stare. The stark lighting is not unlike an INTERROGATION ROOM. Rarity leans forward, steadying her gaze.

10 RARITY

What do you say, Ms. Pie?

11 PINKIE PIE

I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE! IT WAS ME!
I DID IT! I'M THE ONE!!!

Pinkie throws her head back, erupting in <SOBS>.

12 RARITY

Pinkie, it couldn't have been you.

Pinkie snaps to, no sign of sobs.

13 PINKIE PIE

It couldn't have?

14 RARITY

You were nowhere near the auditorium when it went missing.

15 PINKIE PIE
I wasn't?

16 RARITY
You were at the frozen yogurt shop.

17 PINKIE PIE
I was??

18 RARITY
You literally still have frozen
yogurt in your hand.

From under the desk, Pinkie reveals a cup of FROZEN YOGURT.
She starts to <MUNCH> at the TOPPINGS.

19 PINKIE PIE
(between chews)
You were just so upset, I thought
confessing might make you feel
better!

Rarity throws up hands.

20 RARITY (V.O.)
The dame was trouble with a capital
P as in Pinkie.

21 PINKIE PIE
OH NO! Don't be MORE upset, I'll
confess to more things!! Like when
I was at the frozen yogurt shop I
took more than one sample... and
then I put the sample spoon in the
wrong cup...
(spiraling out)
...and then I saw someone take that
cup, and I didn't tell them about
my spoon in the cup, and then they
threw AWAY the cup but WHAT IF THEY
DIDN'T and and and and...

22 RARITY
Pinkie Pie, please! You're not a
suspect! I feel fine, okay?

23 PINKIE PIE
Oh good! Cause if that didn't make
you feel better, I was gonna point
out that bedazzled boot over there
to perk you up. Seems like
something you'd be into.

Pinkie Pie points to sure enough-- THE BEDAZZLED BOOT!! We see SPIKE pawing at it quizzically in the corner.

24 RARITY

Pinkie Pie, you solved the mystery!

25 PINKIE PIE

Woo-hoo!

Pinkie's GEM lights up as touches a spoonful of Frozen Yogurt and it EXPLODES into celebratory glitter. Rarity dips her finger into the container and licks a yogurty taste.

26 RARITY (V.O.)

Solving a case never tasted so good.

IRIS OUT.

ENDING B: TRIXIE

INT. JANITOR'S CLOSET - DAY

A janitor's closet that Rarity's re-configured as her special office, aka a desk under a hanging light bulb. <MOODY JAZZ MUSIC> plays as the door slowly opens... TRIXIE saunters in, stopping at the doorway, glaring back at Rarity.

27 RARITY (V.O.)

The moment she came in my office, I already knew she was guilty. Only guilty people strut like that. That's a guilty person strut.

Trixie sways her way in, taking a seat opposite Rarity. She crosses her legs, getting comfortable, sizing up Rarity.

28 TRIXIE (V.O.)

The moment I came in her office, I already knew I could outsmart this buffoon.

Rarity eyes her.

29 RARITY (V.O.)

The dame wasn't talking, and that was fine with me. We'll see who cracks first.

Trixie smirks.

30 TRIXIE (V.O.)

She's had it too good for tooooooo
long, and I had a secret weapon...

Trixie leans in toward Rarity, raising a single eyebrow.
Whoa! Rarity reacts, leaning back, arms crossed.

31 RARITY (V.O.)

Well well well... looks like Trixie
picked up a racket and decided to
play. Little does she know, TWO can
play that game.

Rarity uncrosses her arms, adjusting her hair, taking a
breath then: SHE raises HER eyebrow! <MUSIC STING!> as Trixie
reacts, exhaling deep. Oof. This is tougher than she thought.

32 RARITY (V.O.)

What a sucker. I've got her good.

Trixie smiles, then RAISES HER HAND dramatically in the air.
Tension builds as Rarity's eyes go wide, a single bead of
sweat forming on her face as Trixie lowers her arm to...

ADJUST HER CHAIR!!!

33 TRIXIE (V.O.)

It was like teaching tambourine to
a toddler.

Rarity smiles coyly, an idea brewing.

34 RARITY (V.O.)

I knew she was about to crack any
minute, all it would take was a
little something special...

Rarity now raises HER hand high in the air! Trixie's eyes go
wide. Rarity lowers it into her PURSE, then re-emerges
holding LIPSTICK! <MUSIC STING!> as Trixie watches in shock
and awe. Rarity raises a coy eyebrow as she grabs a MIRROR
and applies lipstick to her smug pout.

Trixie nods as she stands, walking toward the door, then
spinning around with a coy look:

35 TRIXIE (V.O.)

You win this round, Rarity. But the
show ain't over, yet.

Trixie turns, then TRIPS a little, causing the scene the
SUDDENLY SHIFT back to color/normal.

36 TRIXIE
OW!

37 RARITY
Are you okay?

38 TRIXIE
You should really clean up these
rocks. Someone could get hurt. Not
me, but y'know... someone.

39 RARITY
Rocks?? Wait -- that's IT!! Bad
Dog, this is not a chew toy!

She follows a trail of "rocks," BEDAZZLED GEM STONES, to find
THE MISSING BOOT! Spike's chewing on the heel contentedly,
Rarity waves him away.

40 RARITY (CONT'D)
I knew the mystery would be solved!

41 TRIXIE
You're welcome by the way. I knew
it was there the whole time, I just
wanted to test you.

Spike <GRUMBLES> on the floor. Off his eye-roll we:

FADE OUT.

ENDING C: APPLEJACK

INT. JANITOR'S CLOSET - DAY

Rarity sits at her desk while Applejack remembers...

42 APPLEJACK
Last time I saw them together was
right before rehearsal. They were
over by the costume rack...

Rarity points a victorious finger to the sky:

43 RARITY
To the costume rack!

INT. AUDITORIUM - COSTUME ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

Applejack and Rarity stand poised for action. Applejack
points toward a COSTUME RACK which seems to move slightly.

Rarity focuses her gaze, fixes her hair, then parts the costumes revealing MAUD PIE (!) holding the bedazzled boot.

44 APPLEJACK / RARITY
MAUD???

Maud turns, completely unfazed.

45 MAUD
Hello, Rarity. Applejack.

46 RARITY
Of all people, Maud, honestly...
why would you steal the boot? Why
would you want to sabotage the
play? Why aren't you answering me?!

With each question, Rarity leans in closer to Maud's face. They're inches away in a silent face-off: Rarity's menacing stare matched against Maude's blank expression.

Maud <SIGHS>, then slowwwly raises a JEWELER'S EYE LOUPE to her eye, inspecting one of the bedazzled stones.

47 MAUD
You might have thought this one is
Rose Quartz but it's actually
amethyst.

48 APPLEJACK
Shoulda known...

49 RARITY
They're just sequins, Darling.

Maud inspects the shoe closer.

50 MAUD
They're not "just sequins." Did you
know the world's largest amethyst
geode weighs two and half tons.

51 RARITY
A two and a half ton bedazzling
gem?!

Suddenly <PLOP!> a thought bubble appears above Rarity's swimmy look. She imagines herself hugging a 3-meter tall PURPLE (in color) crystal. Her eyes gloss over as she sways.

52 MAUD
Are you imagining yourself hugging
it?

53 RARITY
Mmm-hmm.

54 MAUD
Me too.

<THUMP!> Rarity faints on a pile of COSTUMES.

55 RARITY
(half-asleep)
Glimmering...gleaming...glitzing
geodes, and all for ME.

Applejack is confused. Maud, nonplussed.

56 RARITY (V.O.)
...It was a tough case to crack,
but in the end, I cracked it. Like
cracking a two-ton amethyst geode.

FADE TO BLACK.