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EQUESTRIA GIRLS
BATCH 5: Holiday Shorts**

Blizzard or Bust

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INT. TWILIGHT'S BEDROOM - SAME

The Mane 7 (sans Rainbow Dash) have gathered in Twilight's bedroom. Debris from their all-night study session-- crumpled papers, pizza boxes-- is everywhere. They're all in various states of SNOOZED, e.g., Pinkie Pie fell asleep while about to eat a slice of pizza and her snores blow the little tip of the pizza slice.

An alarm clock <RINGS>, startling everyone.

1 PINKIE PIE

I'm awake-- I'm awake! What time is it?! Did we sleep through the test!?

2 RARITY

No, but school starts in thirty minutes...

3 SUNSET SHIMMER

So, we fail in thirty-one minutes.

SUNSET SHIMMER (ALT) (CONT'D)

How's everyone feeling about our study session... confident?

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No one looks very happy as they gather their stuff...

4 FLUTTERSHY

Even after our all-night study session, I still don't know the difference between vaporization and sublimation.

5 APPLEJACK

Reckon this test's gonna be an abomination.

6 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(disappointed)

I can't believe we all fell asleep halfway through our first all-nighter...

7 RAINBOW DASH (O.S.)

Not all of us.

REVEAL Rainbow Dash sitting apart from the group in a chair facing the wall. The chair begins ROCKING as RD struggles to spin it, eventually getting up and rotating it to face them--

4 5 (6)

8 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
--sorry, thought that was a spinny chair.

She smugly puts her feet up.

9 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
While you chumps were studying all night, guess who was looking out the window...?

9A RAINBOW DASH (ALT) (CONT'D)
While you chumps were studying all night, guess who was coming up with a plan?

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Off their confused looks, Rainbow Dash points to a 16:9 "window" on the wall showing a bucolic snowy landscape.

RD leaps to her feet.

10 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Come on! Do I have to spell it out for you?! It's snowing! Snow day means no school! No school means no test!

11 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That's... a TV. You're watching The Snow Channel. WHY DIDN'T YOU WAKE US UP!?

TWILIGHT SPARKLE (ALT) (CONT'D)
You call that a plan?

12 RAINBOW DASH
(doubt setting in)
Pth-- not a TV. Why would I spend eight hours staring at a SCREEN?

13 APPLEJACK
Cause you thought it was a window.

APPLEJACK (ALT) (CONT'D)
Uh, it's hardly snowing Rainbow Dash.

AJ <WHPTHHS> the shade on the ACTUAL WINDOW, which rolls up revealing a sunny day-- green grass, no snow. RD thinks, while Twilight reddens... about to burst.

14 RAINBOW DASH
This one's on me.

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RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Come on guys, you are seriously
lacking vision!

15 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(coming unwound)
GRAH! I'm going to fail Mr. Cranky
Doodle's test and I'll never be
valedictorian and I won't get into
Pony State! ..I always wanted to be
a Tiger.

TWILIGHT SPARKLE (ALT) (CONT'D)
I've got 20/20 vision, and I can
clearly see its not snowing enough
for ~~the~~ school to be canceled.

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34 AB 35

She sadly takes down a triangular *Pony State* pennant adorned
with its mascot, the Fightin' Tigers. We hear Fluttershy's
line O.S. as we PUSH IN on Rainbow Dash, feeling bad.

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16 FLUTTERSHY (O.S.)
Too bad it's not a snow day.

17 RAINBOW DASH
(getting an idea)
It's not a snow day... yet.

17A RAINBOW DASH (ALT) (CONT'D)
Yeah, it's not snowing enough...
Yet!

<OH SNAP MUSIC CUE> as she explains the plan, excited--

18 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
If we can save a sinking cruise ship
and break the laws of time and space
to see a concert, I'm pretty sure we
can convince Principal Celestia to
call a Snow Day. There's a lot of *innocent*
kids out there who *forgot* didn't study and
they're depending on ~~the seven~~ on
us. So what do you say...?

19 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I don't know...
(still skeptical)
Hmmm, I guess...

The other girls are excited...

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11 ABCD
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20 FLUTTERSHY/APPLEJACK/SUNSET
YEAH! LET'S DO IT! OKAY!

36 AB
37 ABCD ME

<MONTAGE MUSIC> comes up and everyone runs out, leaving PINKIE PIE who's asleep again. Suddenly she wakes up--

8 (11)

21 PINKIE PIE
(running out the door)
Can't believe I almost slept
through A MONTAGE...!

CUT TO: A MAKE IT SNOW MONTAGE!

EXT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL - MORNING

Early morning in front of the school. We see PRINCIPAL CELESTIA through her office window as she takes off her coat and sits at her desk, oblivious to Rainbow Dash watching from the bushes, who turns to the others and gives a THUMBS UP.

INT. PINKIE PIE'S HOUSE - DAY

Pinkie Pie unloads two GROCERY BAGS onto the table. Potatoes go in a mixing bowl. She hits the button. <MIXING SOUNDS>!

EXT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

Rainbow Dash directs Applejack, whose gem glows as she carries GIANT BLOCKS OF ICE to the field in front of school. Pleased, Rainbow Dash turns, then frowns, seeing--

Twilight giving a sheepish grin, caught studying from HER TEXTBOOK. RD tosses the book over her shoulder and pulls Twilight O.S....

INT. RARITY'S HOUSE - DAY

Rarity at her mirror, considering a red scarf or blue scarf.

EXT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

Close on: WOODPECKERS <PECKING> a big block of ice. PULL BACK TO REVEAL... Fluttershy directing an ARCTIC FOX using its tail to fan/blow snow.

Nearby, Pinkie Pie dumps a bowl of mashed potatoes into the growing pile of snow, just as Applejack brings more ice.

A sweaty, tired, un-aided-by-special-powers Sunset Shimmer who is using a shovel to move snow. She pauses to take in everyone else's work, then looks down at her not-glowing geode necklace. Oh well, back to work.

Like a director, Rainbow Dash uses her fingers to frame a view outside Celestia's window and its growing piles of snow. She thoughtfully compares it to her reference-- Twilight using her Telekinesis to hold her bedroom TV tuned to the snow channel.

INT. RARITY'S HOUSE - DAY

Follow a trail of discarded scarves on Rarity's floor to find her RIPPING UP the red and blue scarf into bare threads.

EXT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

Sunset, still shoveling... gets an idea. She looks around to see if anyone's looking, then self-consciously and gently touches her hand to the SNOW (a la Starship Troopers). Her geode glows and she <GASPS> at--

EMPATHY FLASHES: A waterfall! A lake! The clouds!

15 16 17 22 SUNSET SHIMMER
(sotto)
...It remembers.

INT. RARITY'S HOUSE - DAY

With her glasses on and a pencil clenched in her teeth, Rarity's at her SEWING MACHINE combining RED and BLUE, finishing a new PURPLE SCARF, which she holds up, pleased.

EXT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

The woodpeckers finish up in a cloud of snow, which settles to reveal A FLUTTERSHY ICE SCULPTURE. Fluttershy blushes, flattered.

Pinkie Pie makes a snowman out of mashed potatoes. Cookie eyes. Carrot nose, which she then removes and CHOMPS a bite.

Rarity joins in her new scarf as they all gather to admire their work. She reacts-- what's missing? Then smiles, using her gem-magic shield to scoop some snow, which Twilight hovers over to frost Principal Celestia's window.

The scene is winter wonderland perfect. RD is so proud.

19 20 23 RAINBOW DASH
(with gravitas)
We did it... we saved the world.

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24 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(softer, same gravitas,
with a little guilt)
Go tigers.

TWILIGHT SPARKLE (ALT) (CONT'D)
I've got to admit, we really did
pull together as a team!

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<MONTAGE MUSIC> ends as we DISSOLVE TO...

INT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL - PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE WINDOW - SAME

The "snow" falls outside Principal Celestia's window. She looks out at it, a worried expression on her face. Vice Principal Luna joins her at the window.

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25 VICE PRINCIPAL LUNA
A blizzard...? Quite an unforeseen
development, I'd say.

26 PRINCIPAL CELESTIA
(suspicious)
Indeed.

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27 VICE PRINCIPAL LUNA
Shall we cancel school?

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Principal Celestia considers...

OUTSIDE PRINCIPAL CELESTIA'S WINDOW

The girls huddle out of sight, watching Principal Celestia and VP Luna through the window. PUSH IN on the girls... hoping! PUSH ON as... Celestia nods, turns, and reaches for her phone...!

28 RAINBOW DASH
She's making the call!!!

Suddenly Mr. Cranky Doodle ducks his head into their office.

29 MR. CRANKY DOODLE
Don't bother with the snow day--
it's phoney baloney. Hope those
girls enjoy detention after their
test.
(muttering)
...Kids these days, I'll tell ya.

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Off Principal Celestia's turning to GLARE at our girls, who
<GULP>. <MUSIC STING> and we CUT TO:

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INT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

<CLOCK TICKING> and <PENCILS SCRATCHING>, as The Mane 7 sit at their desks taking the test. Pinkie Pie is indignant.

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30 PINKIE PIE

...How are we supposed to know how snow fits into the water cycle?!

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31 TWILIGHT SPARKLE

Pinkie Pie. What did we just do?

TWILIGHT SPARKLE (ALT) (CONT'D)

Pinkie, what have we been doing for the past two hours?

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32 RAINBOW DASH

All part of the plan...! What better way to study than a hands-on project?

Pinkie Pie looks out the window and sees their snowy scene.

33 PINKIE PIE

Ooooooohhhhh! I get it...!

(confidently writing)

"Mashed potatoes for the base, add cookie eyes, carrot nose..."

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PINKIE PIE (ALT) (CONT'D)

Ooooooohhhhh! I get it... This test relates to our snow day! Which means...

(confidently writing)

"Potatoes get mashed, then evaporate into potato moisture, where they converge into potato clouds!! And when those clouds can't hold the weight, that's where potato flakes come from!! Or is it potato chips? Am I missing something??"

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All the girls laugh! (except PP)

IRIS OUT.

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