

One Pinkie Band – At lunch Pinkie Pie can't decide where to sit. Her friends follow her around from table to table, but she either can't sit still or is always seeing a slightly better place. Eventually the others decide to sit while Pinkie continues to flit from table to table, unable to settle down, until the lunch bell rings and she winds up totally missing lunch. Worried, her friends decide Pinkie needs an outlet for her excess energy. Something that gives her a little discipline wouldn't be bad either. Rainbow Dash suggests the school's Marching Band. CUT TO: the field where Pinkie practices her marching routines. A giant drum is strapped to her front and she bangs on it with abandon. In the stands the others watch and try to be encouraging, but Pinkie isn't really able to stick to any of the set marches-- randomly breaking out into a dance, doing cartwheels, etc. The gang all wonder what to do as we PAN over to see Pinkie in the stands with them, banging her drum. "Yeah. What should we do?" They tell her to go back on the field and practice. "Oh, yeah!" Pinkie runs back onto the field but instead of marching, she just runs around in circles banging her drum, "This is great!" Suddenly, Applejack has an idea and we MATCH CUT from Pinkie running in circles to her spinning in circles on the stool behind an rock and roll drum kit. She plays an incredible solo and Ponys-Up as the others look on pleased.

Cranky-Doodle Cowbell – The Mane Six (minus Twilight) wait in music class for their teacher, Mr. Cranky-Doodle, to arrive. Rarity is excited because today is Mr. Cranky's birthday and she's certain her arrangement of their latest assignment will make him SMILE, SMILE, SMILE. Pinkie guarantees it. Fluttershy, less than confident with her instrument the triangle isn't so sure. The moment he enters, Pinkie shouts "Happy Cranky-Doodle Day!" and unleashes a confetti cannon that blows Cranky's toupee clean off. Unimpressed, Cranky picks up his hair, puts it on and asks the class to play the piece they've been working on. They do, but despite Rarity's enthusiasm, it's terrible. Cranky tells the class that a better birthday surprise would have been for them to learn the assignment. With that, he walks out in a cranky huff. Rarity determines that the arrangement is only missing one thing, "I'm a pianist, so my ear is very refined." The gang cycles through a list of instruments, trying to find what Rarity is looking for. Finally, she decides it's Fluttershy. The triangle is just wrong. Rarity hands her a tambourine and they try again, but it's still not enough. Rarity insists that Fluttershy is being too timid. Fluttershy isn't sure, but Rarity is adamant, "I gotta have more tambourine!" As they play, Rarity continues to encourage/cajole her friend, "Really explore the space," etc., until finally Fluttershy loses it, goes a tad crazy, and Ponys-Up in the process. Everyone stares, impressed and shocked into speechlessness. Eventually the class turns to see Cranky standing in the doorway smiling. He can't believe the piece works best played only on tambourine.