MY LITTLE PONY:
EQUESTRIA GIRLS
ME, MY SELFIE, AND I

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EXT. EQUESTRIA WORLD - DAY

OPEN ON: The amusement park. Shots of the rides, unmoving, empty, contrasted with VIGNETTE narrating an excited introduction with <TRIUMPHANT MUSIC>.

1 VIGNETTE (O.S.)
Excitement. Adventure. Romance. Experience the world like you've never seen it before, at the one... the only... EQUESTRIA WORLD!

ANGLE ON: a parade platform as it wobbles through the park. FOUR PEOPLE on it are waving, smiling, but... they're wearing WHITE LONG JOHNS.

ANGLE ON: Vignette (19, cooler than you)-- <u>horrified</u>.

2 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
Stop, cut-- CUT!!!

<TRIUMPHANT MUSIC> playback grinds down to a halt, as does the parade platform.

3 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
Why is everyone dressed like they're not dressed!?

PULL BACK to reveal the BOHEMIAN COSTUME DESIGNER (over it).

4 COSTUME DESIGNER
...Because you keep changing your mind about the costumes, Vignette.

5 VIGNETTE
Do you know what it means to be in charge of public relations for this park? It's my job to make sure the world knows how amazing Equestria World is going to be. And in two weeks when there's fifty thousand people here for opening day, the <u>last</u> thing they'll see before they leave at night will be <u>this</u> light parade, and by extension, YOUR costumes, which apparently do NOT exist as of this moment.
(softening, like a mentor)
Want a little guidance from someone with vision? BYBB... "Be yourself... but BETTER." Do you even <u>have</u> a philosophy?

Off Vignette's intensity, the costume designer thinks for a long time, then counts four letters on her fingers.

6 COSTUME DESIGNER
G.W.I.Q... "Guess what? I quit."

She smugly walks away. Vignette gawks, then composes herself.

7 VIGNETTE
"Naysayers gonna nay." <CALMING BREATH>.
(suddenly super-stressed, into her phone)
I NEED A STRESS SALAD!!!

Frustrated, Vignette throws herself down in a chair at a nearby TABLE. An ASSISTANT immediately brings over a green salad with a few tomatoes.

8 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
Where am I going to find a new costume designer for the light parade with only two weeks left...?
(covering the assistant's mouth before he can answer)
I'm not promoting you.

Bummed, the assistant walks off. Vignette holds up her phone, panning around, seeing the world through her screen/camera.

9 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
If only I could put a filter on real life to make everything the way I want it...

With a <SIGH>, she puts her phone down on the table. PAN DOWN UNDER THE TABLE TO SEE...

...A CRACK IN THE GROUND, where COLORFUL TENDRILS OF EQUESTRIAN MAGIC seep up... eventually finding her phone. They swirl around it and then disappear into the phone, leaving it with a faint colorful glow. Vignette has no idea.

10 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
Only way to feel better is getting ten thousand likes with a perfect salad pic.

She takes her phone, which still glows a bit, and lines up the perfect picture. <CLICK> and CAMERA FLASH! Curious, She lowers her phone, leaning in for a better look, because...

ANGLE ON HER SALAD: colorful swirls of MAGIC engulf it... then it FADES OUT and DISAPPEARS COMPLETELY.

Vignette looks around to see if anyone saw. She checks the picture on her phone.

THE IMAGE: The salad on the table, just like any other picture. Curious, she swipes her finger. The salad changes from lettuce and tomatoes... to a lettuce wedge with blue cheese dressing. Vignette reacts: "whoa!" She swipes again. The salad becomes Chinese chicken salad.

11 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
Hey did anybody install a new app on my phone!? Oop--!

Suddenly a BEAM OF COLORFUL LIGHT comes from the phone and creates... A CHINESE CHICKEN SALAD on the table. It flickers with DIGITAL NOISE as Vignette, amazed, touches it with her fork. The fork goes right through it. She tries to touch it with her hand-- but the same thing happens. Like a hologram.

12 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
...Hey did somebody install a new camera app on my phone...!?

PUSH IN ON VIGNETTE as she smiles at the possibilities...

13 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
...cause I <u>like</u> it.

<MUSIC COMES UP> and we...

CUT TO:

INT. THE MALL - DAY

At the FOOD COURT, we find the MANE 7 as they enter from various directions, gathering for lunch. Rarity gives AJ a look that she returns, then they both check their phones.

14 RARITY
Anything...?

15 APPLEJACK
Nuthin. You?

She shakes her head. ANGLE ON: Everyone else, curious.

16 PINKIE PIE
Somebody has unspilled beans at this table and it's not me, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash, Twilight Sparkle, or Sunset Shimmer.

Applejack and Rarity exchange another look, then agree--

17 APPLEJACK
<DEEP BREATH>. Rarity and I applied for summer jobs at the new Theme Park!

18 PINKIE PIE
EQUESTRIA WORLD!?? WAIT, WILL YOU GET TO GO THERE FOR FREE?

19 APPLEJACK
Actually, <u>they'd</u> pay <u>us</u> to go there.

Pinkie Pie spasms and freezes, her eye twitching.

20 SUNSET SHIMMER
I think you short-circuited Pinkie Pie.

21 APPLEJACK
We applied to work side-by-side as Candy Apple Girls.

22 RARITY
It's not that I'm nervous, but Applejack-- you're perfect for the job, and, well... my resume is less apple-centric.

23 APPLEJACK
We'll be together, I got a good feeling.

They share a smile, then Rarity checks her phone again.

24 RARITY
No missed calls while we were talking about Candy Apples. Shall we practice answering our phones and sounding calm?

25 APPLEJACK
(super calm, into phone)
"Howdy this is Applejack speakin."

26 FLUTTERSHY
Oh that was a good one.

Suddenly BOTH OF THEIR PHONES <DING> at the same time!

27 RARITY/APPLEJACK
AHHHHH!

28 SUNSET SHIMMER
That was about as calm as Pinkie Pie on cake day.

29 PINKIE PIE
Was it today-- DID I MISS IT!?

Sunset gives an apologetic look as Pinkie's eyes well with tears. Meanwhile, Rarity and AJ are checking:

30 RARITY/APPLEJACK
One new email! It's from the park!

31 RARITY/APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
You open yours first.

32 RARITY/APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
No, <u>you</u> open <u>yours</u> first!

They laugh.

33 APPLEJACK
Okay, same time... One, two...

34 RARITY
Too late I opened mine! <SCREAM>! They said I'm over-qualified for Candy Apple Girl. They want me to be "Lead parade costume designer!"

35 MANE 6
<CONGRATULATIONS WALLAH>.

36 SCI TWI
You haven't even started and you already got promoted.

37 RAINBOW DASH
That's gotta be a record.

PULL OUT to reveal Applejack, apart from the group, staring at her phone, bummed. She looks up trying to smile.

38 APPLEJACK
I'm really happy for you, Rarity.

39 RARITY
There must be a mix-up, Darling.

40 PINKIE PIE
Obviously the internet mailman gave you the wrong letter!
(off AJ's stare, sadly...)
(MORE)

PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
...I know that's not how it works but I'm trying to cheer you up.

41 SCI TWI
Technically Rarity didn't get the job either since she got a <u>different</u> job, so they're probably about to send you <u>another</u> email with YOUR promotion.

Applejack isn't hopeful, but then her phone <DINGS>! Grinning, she checks, but--

42 APPLEJACK
Just a sale at Stinky Bottom's Discount Hat Emporium.

43 RAINBOW DASH
(reading over her shoulder)
Forty percent off!?
("oops")
Sorry, not helping.

44 RARITY
Well I'm not going to accept it without you, obviously.

45 APPLEJACK
WHAT!? You can NOT let the opportunity pass you by, Rarity. Think of all the vision boards, the late nights sewing-- this has been your dream since kindergarten.

46 RARITY
Pre-school, actually, but that's not the point-- my mind is made up. We planned to spend the summer together, and that's what we're going to do. Riiiiiiiiiight...?

Rarity waits expectantly, despite herself.

47 APPLEJACK
You're takin' the job, and that's final.

48 RARITY
(instantly)
Okay-if-you-insist-Aieeeeeeeeee-I'm-gonna-be-a-Costume-Designer!!!!!

As her friends gather round and <WALLAH> about how awesome this is, Sunset hangs back with Applejack...

49 APPLEJACK
I probably shouldn't of quit my old job this mornin, huh.

50 SUNSET SHIMMER
I'm sure they haven't replaced you already.

QUICK CUT TO: THE SHAKE PLACE, where NEW TRAINEE BULK BICEPS is being shown how to work the shake blender. He seems confused until it clicks for him-- he RIPS the blender off its mechanism and shakes it himself, muscles rippling.

THE MILKSHAKE MACHINE SPEWS MILKSHAKE EVERYWHERE. **BACK TO:**

Applejack, shaking her head as Sunset shrugs and we CUT TO:

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FIND Rarity, wide-eyed, trailing behind Vignette, who leads her through the park at a snappy pace (and sometimes literally <SNAPPING>.) Throughout the scene, Rarity follows her, SKETCHBOOK IN HAND, drawing what she sees as fast as she can, but she's overwhelmed-- there's inspiration everywhere!

51 VIGNETTE
My Name is Vignette, and to answer your first question, yes, I'm that Vignette, but NO, I do NOT think I'm better than you just because I have three million followers on SnapGab.

52 RARITY
(geeking out)
You're up to three million now?! I mean--
(catching herself, trying to sound cool)
--yes, I'm familiar with your online "*ouvre*."

53 VIGNETTE
I have a good feeling about you, Rare. OH, you HAVE to let me call you Rare, it's the perfect name for a Lead Parade Costume Designer. Not a--
(reading Rarity's file)
"Candy Apple Girl." I don't even know why you applied for a job like that, not with a SnapGab feed like yours.
(off Rarity's surprise)
(MORE)

VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
Obviously I looked you up. Great pictures, by the way. That gingham and linen sundress caught my eye and your follower count is impressive-- for someone just starting out of course. But I can already tell you've got magic inside.

54 RARITY
(glowing, dazed)
You can...?

55 VIGNETTE
The Light Parade is the most important event in the park. Over a hundred cast members-- and you're going to make them look perfect.

Rarity takes a deep breath-- yikes.

56 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
Oh and before I forget, one tiny thing... Don't put anything on that table, especially your phone.

ANGLE ON: the table where Vignette's phone was "magicized," covered in CAUTION TAPE.

57 VIGNETTE (CONT'D)
No reason, just a suuuuuper-important rule I made up. K...?

CUT TO:

EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - DAY

CLOSE ON APPLEJACK, doing some work we can't see O.S. Her phone <RINGS>. <u>SPLIT SCREEN WITH RARITY AT THE PARK</u>.

58 APPLEJACK
Rarity!

59 RARITY
Applejack, *darling*.
(cautiously)
How's work on the farm...?

60 APPLEJACK
<u>Fan-tastic</u>! I could <u>not</u> be happier makin' foot-stomped applesauce the ol' fashioned way with my fam.

REVEAL: She's knee deep in a wooden barrel stomping on apples with her bare feet to make applesauce like a wine-maker. BIG MAC, APPLE BLOOM, and GRANNY SMITH stomp with her.

61 GRANNY SMITH
Less chatter, more splatter!

Mushed apples SPLATTER everywhere. AJ makes a frumpled face, but puts back on a smile as they both cover how they feel:

62 RARITY
Oh good, I'm so happy for you!

63 APPLEJACK
And I'm so happy for you and <u>your</u> new job, too!

64 RARITY
Yes, well, it's certainly a <u>big</u> job.

65 APPLEJACK
I'm sure you won't slip up.

Applejack SLIPS, barely staying balanced in the applesauce.

66 RARITY
Well I'm calling because-- you see-- it's not that I'm <u>nervous</u> or anything silly like that, but I was wondering if you and the girls wanted to come on opening night to see the parade?
(sing-song)
VIP passes-- you can cut the lines.

67 APPLEJACK
You bet yer britches, missy. I wouldn't miss your big night for the world! --Whoop!

Applejack SLIPS and falls into the APPLESAUCE with a <SPLAT>. Granny Smith flips a DAYS WITHOUT ACCIDENT card back to 0.

CUT TO:

EXT. EQUESTRIA WORLD - DAY

The CLOUDSDALE COASTER ROARS through frame. People <SCREAM>! ANOTHER ANGLE: cute couples ride the HOT AIR BALLOON FERRIS WHEEL. ANOTHER ANGLE: Kids check out the games on the MIDWAY.

AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE: The Mane 7 (minus Rarity) enter.

68 PINKIE PIE
Equestria World opening day! What should we do first!? Appaloosa Wild West Stunt Show...? Nightmare Moon's Haunted Castle...? SUGARCUBE EVERYTHING!?

69 APPLEJACK
Now hang on, I got the sense Rarity's overwhelmed, which is understandable... I mean she's all alone here without <u>any</u> of her friends. Which is why <u>I</u> wouldn't have taken the job, but that's just me-- uhhh, point is-- we're here to support Rarity.

Suddenly their attention is grabbed by <SCREAMING TWEENS>. WHIP PAN: Three tween girls are pointing at... VIGNETTE! She acknowledges them and they start taking selfies with her.

70 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
Which character's that-- I don't recognize her.

71 PINKIE PIE
That's not a character, silly-- that's Vignette. She's famous on SnapGab... which you'd know if you actually logged in once in a while.
(genuinely sad)
...you're missing my "one-cupcake-every-day" series.

72 FLUTTERSHY
She posts a lot of pictures of her Welsh Corgi named "Yas Queen" sleeping in Barkingham Palace.

73 RAINBOW DASH
<u>And</u> she's friends with like every awesome athlete in the world.

Applejack looks to Sci Twi.

74 SCI TWI
Don't look at me, I only follow bots that post interesting science facts. Guess how many species of ants there are?

75 SUNSET SHIMMER
(confident)
<u>Two</u>. Red and black.

76 SCI TWI
Try twelve thousand.

Sunset shivers. Meanwhile, Pinkie Pie hands Applejack her phone, launching us into **A QUICK MONTAGE OF VIGNETTE'S POSTS:**

1) ANGLE ON: Applejack staring at the phone (we don't see the screen yet).

77 APPLEJACK
These are her pictures?
(deadpan)
"Chillin' sandy-style, you know how I do."

CLOSE ON THE PICTURE: A selfie of Vignette at the beach.

78 VIGNETTE (V.O.)
(super-over-the-top excited voice)
Chillin' sandy-style, you know how I do!!!!!!!!!!

2) Applejack swipes, raises an eyebrow at the next post.

79 APPLEJACK
I came. I saw. I vintaged?

THE PICTURE: A Vignette selfie, sitting in a perfectly manicured Anthropolgie-style "quirky" room. She's holding a very-used badminton racquet.

80 VIGNETTE (V.O.)
(super-INTENSE)
I came. I saw. I vintaged.

3) Applejack is like "whatever," She swipes, annoyed.

81 APPLEJACK
Okay, somebody tell me why this picture has twenty-thousand likes!?

THE PICTURE: a Vignette selfie with "cool bangs."

82 VIGNETTE
(super-soft)
Hashtag... Bangs.

BACK TO SCENE: Applejack gives back the phone.

83 APPLEJACK
I don't know, spending all that time just to look good in a picture ain't my idea of fun.

84 RARITY (O.S.)
There you are...!

Applejack brightens up seeing Rarity walking their way.

85 APPLEJACK
Here comes the Lead Parade Costume Designer!

86 RARITY
“Guilty as charged!” Ah-hahaha.

87 APPLEJACK
So, you’ve been here solo without your best friends all this time-- how can we help?

88 RARITY
Hold that thought-- Vignette! Over here!

The others get wide-eyed frozen looks.

89 APPLEJACK
You know Vignette...?

90 RARITY
Do I <u>know</u> her!?

Vignette comes running and gives Rarity a hug and two air-kissy kisses.

91 RARITY (CONT’D)
Why, she’s my best friend at the park!

Off AJ’s STUNNED expression, Vignette leans in for a picture.

92 VIGNETTE
Selfie!
(then, to RY)
Oh but can we use <u>your</u> phone...?
Mine’s been acting <u>super</u>-weird lately. Thanks, you’re the <u>best</u>.

Rarity pulls out her phone and she and Vignette try out synchronized facial expressions, while AJ just stands there, stunned. Finally... <SHUTTER CLICK> and we CUT TO BLACK.

<u>END OF PART 1</u>