

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

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INT. LARGE HANGER - DAY

The sounds of <CROWD WALLAH> and <HAMMERING> fill the hanger, which is filled with half-finished platforms for the Light Parade (Appaloosa Wild West float, Sugar Country Float, etc). We find THE MANE 7 (minus Fluttershy) on a float in the back, plugging in instruments and tuning up.

Rarity approaches, engrossed talking to her TWO ASSISTANTS.

1 RARITY
For the lake it should be six
ducklings and two swans, not two
ducklings and six swans. What's
next, ah, I have ten seconds set
aside to hello to my friends.

Rarity greets them warmly.

2 RARITY (CONT'D)
Hello, friends!

3 SS / ST / PP / AJ / RD
*Hello. / Greetings! / How's it
going!? / (etc.)*

4 RARITY
No time for that-- down to business.

Rarity paces with her clipboard.

5 RARITY (CONT'D)
It's two o'clock-- the Light Parade
is in four hours. Thank you all for
setting up your instruments-- I
literally have just enough time for
final measurements before I have to
put out five dozen fires at the
same time, while you may go back to
amusing yourselves at the park.

Two ASSISTANTS carrying costumes over their arms scurry onto the Rainboom's platform. They go from girl to girl, measuring each quickly, then stop at an EMPTY SPACE.

6 RARITY (CONT'D)
Where is Fluttershy...?

7 APPLEJACK (O.S.)
That's a good question...

ANGLE ON: A spotlight shining down onto the Rainbooms platform.

When Applejack steps out, everything becomes BLACK AND WHITE. She puts on Rarity's "detective hat" a la MLP 516, *Rarity Investigates*. <DETECTIVE JAZZ> starts.

8 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
 (cool detective-style)
And I mean to get to the bottom of
it.

9 RARITY
Is that my hat?!

Everything snaps back to normal.

10 APPLEJACK
 (normal voice)
Uh, I was thinkin' I could borrow
it-- I mean, you're not planning on
wearin' it today, are you?

11 RARITY
I suppose not.

The color drains back to B&W. Applejack raises an eyebrow.

12 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
And just like that, my first case
started with a missing person-- one
Ms. Fluttershy, supposedly with
Rarity's new best friend. Or was
she?

Applejack paces.

13 APPLEJACK
Why would Fluttershy miss costume
fittings? She knows we were supposed
to be here right after lunch, but
now she's not answering any of our
texts.

14 SUNSET SHIMMER
She probably got sidetracked at the
petting zoo.

15 APPLEJACK
Just to be on the safe side, let's
all keep an eye out for her in the
park this afternoon, deal?

As the girls think it over...

CUT TO:

EXT. EQUESTRIA WORLD - MIDWAY - LATER

Sunset, Sci Twi, and Rainbow Dash walk around the corner and onto the BOARDWALK, filled with CARNIVAL GAMES like Ring Toss, Milk Bottle Knock-down, and the Prize Claw.

16 SUNSET SHIMMER
So... if you were Fluttershy, where
would you be...?

Sci Twi HALTS, <GASPING>. At the RING TOSS game, among the prizes hanging from a wire behind the attendant is... A GIANT STUFFED DOGGIE BONE.

17 SCI TWI
Spike would lose his mind. And
maybe forgive me for not letting
him come to the park today.
 (innocently scheming)
...You know, maybe playing some of
these games would "help us think."

18 RAINBOW DASH
 (playing along)
Yeah, I'm always better at finding
Fluttershy better when I win stuff.

19 SUNSET SHIMMER
Oh come on, don't tell me you--

Rainbow Dash hands over a ticket and gets a ring, tosses it, but it <DINGS> off the side. The ATTENDANT shrugs.

20 SUNSET SHIMMER (CONT'D)
Don't you know these things are--

21 SCI TWI
Me next! A forty-five degree
parabola should do it...!

Sci Twi tosses the ring... and it goes right onto the bottle! But her celebration dance freezes when she sees... the ring is swirling around and around and spins right back off.

22 SCI TWI (CONT'D)
I had that!

23 SUNSET SHIMMER
Well... you lose some, you lose
some. Especially when it's rigged,
which is what I've been trying to
tell you.

24 SCI TWI
You know what's not rigged? The laws of physics. I think I should try one more time... for science.

25 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, I'll just try once more too, you know, to make sure it's REALLY rigged...

Off Sunset's dubious look...

CUT TO:

DISSOLVE THROUGH A SERIES OF SHOTS OF AJ AROUND THE PARK:

STYLIZED B&W: Deep in thought, Applejack walks from ride to ride, questioning attendants and visitors at Ferris Wheel, in Sugarcube Country, even in the petting zoo showing the animals a picture of Fluttershy. Finally she sleuths through the FOOD COURT, passing the Sushi Truck.

26 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
This park was big... too big. The day? Hot. Too hot. The sushi? Raw. Too raw. Not even cooked a smidge.

EXT. EQUESTRIA WORLD - CLOUDSDALE COASTER - DAY

PAN DOWN the line at the Cloudsdale Coaster, full of impatient people, not movie because at the front... Applejack is holding up the line so she can talk to the Attendant.

27 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
I decided to start with the last place anybody saw Fluttershy-- and that was at the Cloudsdale Coaster. Vignette posted a video of the two of them riding it together, but since when did Fluttershy ride rides like this...?

Applejack holds out her phone-- a picture of FLUTTERSHY. The attendant shakes his head no. AJ raises an eyebrow.

28 APPLEJACK
You're tellin' me you didn't see this girl riding your coaster earlier today with Vignette?

29 ATTENDANT
No, ma'am... Vignette rode by herself.

Applejack eyes him curiously from under her hat.

30 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
...And so the plot thickened like
Granny Smith's homemade apple
molasses. Which reminds me, I need to
talk to her about how thick she makes
that stuff-- a little too thick if
you ask me-- but um, where was I...?

EXT. EQUESTRIA WORLD - BUMPER CARS - LATER

<MOODY JAZZ> continues as Applejack walks toward the BUMPER CARS, her head down looking at her phone. ANGLE ON THE PHONE: it's the video of Vignette and Fluttershy having fun on the roller coaster together.

31 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
I may be new to this whole funny-
hat, black-and-white, detective
racket, but I knew this video
raised more questions than a
rooster wearin' scuba gear.

Applejack leans on the bumper car fence, lost in thought.

32 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
It was obvious who I had to
question next. She might have been
Rarity's "best friend at the park,"
but she was also my U.S.D.A-prime
suspect.

Applejack bites her lip, feeling guilty and doubtful...

33 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
...Or maybe I want her to be my
number one suspect BECAUSE she's
Rarity's new best friend at the
park. Maybe this missing person
case is a case of misunderstanding.

Applejack slumps against the bumper car railing.

34 PINKIE PIE
No leaning on the rails, please!

SNAP BACK TO FULL COLOR: Applejack is surprised to see Pinkie Pie in a park uniform, working the bumper car control panel.

35 APPLEJACK
Pinkie Pie... since when do you
work here? Wait, lemme guess--

36 PINKIE PIE
Sinnnnnnnce... five minute ago when
I dropped my ice cream that I'd
literally just bought so I was
trying to scoop it up with my hands
which wasn't as clean as I thought
but not as messy as you're
imagining and then after I wiped my
hands and threw away the paper
towels I looked in the trash and
someone had thrown away a perfectly
good park uniform just because it
was torn-- which I sealed up with
sticky melted ice cream, look you
can't even tell!

As Pinkie Pie shoves the fabric of her knee in AJ's face...

37 APPLEJACK
That was my gonna be my second
guess.

CUT TO:

INT. LARGE HANGER - DAY

Rarity works at a sewing machine with intense focus.
Suddenly, the machine jams. Her foot pumps the pedal. Fabric
gets chewed up by the needle.

38 RARITY
Don't do this to me... not right
now.

She looks up just in time to see an assistant plug in a line
of lights on a float. They glow for a moment then <SPARKS>
fly and they all go out. Rarity takes a calming breath as her
assistant comes charging toward her waving papers...

39 RARITY'S ASSISTANT
Ms. Rarity! Ms. Rarity!!!

40 RARITY
Get me someone who can fix this or
I'll sew it by hand if I have to.
And do the number fours match those
lights that just blew out? Because
the spares are blue not green so
we'll have to match them. Why are
you still standing here?

41 RARITY'S ASSISTANT
It's the inchworm tea party float.
Instead of fifty inchworm
costumes... production made one
costume, fifty inches tall.

42 RARITY
We're forty-nine inchworms
short...! WHY WASN'T I PREPARED FOR
THIS!

As she stresses...

CUT TO:

EXT. EQUESTRIA WORLD - MIDWAY - LATER

ANGLE ON: a bottle, as a ring <DINGS> off it, a miss.

43 RAINBOW DASH (O.S.)
COME ON!!!

Sunset Shimmer crosses her arms, looking down at Rainbow Dash as she slumps on the ground next to Sci Twi, who has covered the ground with physics sketches and long formulae.

44 SCI TWI
One ring left. Based on the average
trajectories of our past, uh...
(looking at her tally
marks, embarrassed)
..."many" attempts. I think Rainbow
Dash has the best chance.

45 RAINBOW DASH
It's all you, Twilight... I gotta
ice this arm.

46 SCI TWI
I need to ice my brain.

47 SUNSET SHIMMER
Great! Let's go ride rides!

They <MUMBLE AGREEMENT>. As they walk away...

48 SCI TWI
It's rigged anyway.

49 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, we just wanted to prove it to
you, Sunset.

50 SUNSET SHIMMER
 (laughing)
Great. Now let's never think about
this ever again.

Without looking back, Sunset tosses the last ring over her shoulder as they walk away. ...not seeing that the ring comes down PERFECTLY onto a bottle. They walk around the corner and out of sight just as the attendant takes the GIANT STUFFED BONE off the rack and holds it out, confused to see no one around. With a shrug, he hands it to a passing kid and a dog.

CUT TO:

EXT. EQUESTRIA WORLD - BUMPER CARS - DAY

In stylized B&W, Applejack questions Pinkie Pie.

51 APPLEJACK
Why aren't you looking for
Fluttershy?

52 PINKIE PIE
I'm working!

53 APPLEJACK
No you're not!

54 PINKIE PIE
Wellllllll I don't OFFICIALLY have a
boss.

55 APPLEJACK
And you're not getting paid.

56 PINKIE PIE
Wellllllll I don't OFFICIALLY get
paid. But I get to ride the cars
every time the line dies down!

Pinkie Pie and Applejack look down the long and winding line.

57 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
...which isn't that often. But look
at my cool badge! It's ALL ACCESS!

Applejack inspects the badge. Pink crayon, sparkles, and rainbows.

58 APPLEJACK
But that obviously ain't real.

59 PINKIE PIE
Wellllllll Not OFFICIALLY real, no.

60 APPLEJACK
Listen, have you seen Vignette
anywhere?

61 PINKIE PIE
No, but her office is right through
that door disguised as a rock that
says employees only. I know that
because...
(proud)
I work here.

Off AJ's look...

62 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
If you're going back there, you'll
need this more than I do.

Pinkie Pie presses her ALL ACCESS badge into AJ's hand.

63 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
I decided to take the badge and
humor the kid, but she'd given me
an itch...

Applejack turns to look at THE EMPLOYEES ONLY door.

64 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
And there was only one way to
scratch it.

ANGLE ON: The Employees Only door. Applejack looks around,
and when the coast is clear, she slips inside!

INT. EMPLOYEES ONLY HALLWAY - MOMENTS LATER

Applejack sneaks down the hall, stopping at an office with
Vignette's picture on it. (A selfie of her at the office.)

65 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
Vignette wasn't home. But maybe it
was better that way. I knew what I
was about to do was wrong, and if I
got caught by park security the jig
was up... there'd be no talking my
way out of it with those guys...

While peering through Vignette's window, Applejack gets
TAPPED ON THE SHOULDER by... A PARK SECURITY GUARD.

66 APPLEJACK
 (taking off her hat)
I-- uh-- you see-- it's just--

67 PARK SECURITY GUARD
You aren't supposed to be back
here!

Applejack nods, ashamed to be caught.

68 PARK SECURITY GUARD (CONT'D)
What are you hiding there? What's
in your hand?

Applejack releases the paper in her hand, which the guard takes and unfolds. He looks it over.

It's Pinkie Pie's home-made ALL ACCESS pass. He frowns. AJ sweats. Then...

69 PARK SECURITY GUARD (CONT'D)
Why didn't you tell me you had an
all-access pass? You want to go in
Vignette's office? All access!

He opens the door for her, handing back the pass.

70 APPLEJACK
Um... thank--- thank you.

71 PARK SECURITY GUARD
Stay in school.

He walks off. Applejack, dazed for a moment, snaps out of it and puts her hat back on... then slips into the office.

INT. VIGNETTE'S OFFICE - DAY

Applejack slinks in. Her office could be described as "hip-hop social-media web 2.0 start-up company chic." One wall is graffiti art: an urbanized Vignette looking tough. Applejack looks it over.

72 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
As my fellow detective Rarity would
say, there ain't no accountin' for
taste.

Applejack begins snooping on Vignette's desk...

73 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
Was I doing a teeny tiny bit of
snooping? I was.
(MORE)

APPLEJACK (V.O.) (CONT'D)
But NOT cause I was jealous of
Vignette's friendship with Rarity,
how many times do I have to say
it!?

<CLANG>! Applejack accidentally kicks over the trash. Among
papers, a FLASH DRIVE spills out.

74 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
Finding a flash drive in the trash
was like a horse findin' oats on a
Tuesday. You don't ask why, you
just eat em.

ANGLE ON VIGNETTE'S COMPUTER: Applejack plugs in the flash
drive. A video starts playing, showing time-coded SECURITY
CAMERA FOOTAGE of the area around the CLOUDSDALE COASTER.

75 APPLEJACK (V.O.)
Security Camera Footage from
earlier today? Why would Vignette
want to keep people from seeing
this...?

Applejack <GASPS> when she sees on the screen...

FLUTTERSHY walking with Vignette. Vignette pulls out her
phone, directs Fluttershy to stand away from her, then holds
up the phone to take a picture.

Close on APPLEJACK, watching with fearful eyes as...

76 APPLEJACK
(outloud)
Is that... Equestrian Magic...?

ON THE SECURITY VIDEO: Vignette's phone glows with snaking
lines of EQUESTRIAN MAGIC. Smoky tendrils sprout from the
phone, wrap themselves around Fluttershy, and then she's
engulfed in a cloud of magical smoke that gets sucked back
into the phone.

Fluttershy is gone.

Applejack <GASPS>. Then she hears <FOOTSTEPS> from the hall.
She turns, freezing at the sound of...

77 VIGNETTE (O.S.)
I'll be right there... I just have
to get something from my office!

As Vignette's shadow falls across the door, PUSH IN ON
APPLEJACK'S WORRIED FACE and we FADE OUT!