

My Little Pony: Equestria Girls
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“Spring Breakdown – Part One: Bon Voyage”
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EXT. CANTERLOT HIGH SCHOOL – DAY

It is a beautiful Spring afternoon at CHS—emphasis on the “Spring” part of that sentence, as we’re about to find out. We hear a <TICKING CLOCK> and we cut to...

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A HANGING CLOCK, the second hand slowly creeping around the 9 on its way to mark 3:00 PM. We cut through a series of CLOSE-UP, SUPER-DRAMATIC SHOTS: the MANE 7 watching the clock with baited breaths, their eyes filled with the hopes and dreams of what’s about to happen, <THE BELL RINGS>! Suddenly the teacher, MR. CRANKY DOODLE, jumps on his desk, rips his shirt and tie off, and yells: “SPRING BREAK!!!” CUT TO:

INT. CHS – HALLWAY – LATER

The Mane 7 meet up at Sunset’s locker, where Sunset is excited about spending Spring Break with her friends—not like every other year. (FLASH TO A COUPLE VACATIONS WITH HER FORMER BFFs, SNIPS AND SNAILS). Rainbow Dash agrees this week is gonna rule, which is why she took the initiative and put together a week-long training program to get them in FIGHTING SHAPE, rather than some boring “sit around on the beach” kind of thing. She busts out a cool fighting stance: “Evil never takes a vacation!” REVERSE ON THE OTHERS: standing normally, like, ugh, didn’t they plan something more fun than this? Pinkie Pie answers their rhetorical question literally: they’ve been so busy dealing with crisis after crisis—what with all the Equestria Magic that’s been seeping into their world lately... they haven’t had time to plan a huge spring break trip... they’ve barely had time to breath! (She takes a deep breath, savoring it: “finally, a little time to breath!”) Rainbow Dash brushes her off, saying that like or not, they’re the only ones standing in the way of whatever evil forces are gathering, and it must be their destiny to... “—party with me for spring break, what what?!” Diamond Tiara cuts off RD and hands her an iPad-esque devices, which promptly begins playing a video. Confused, the Mane 7 gather around and watch...

A VIDEO INVITATION: A high-production-value yet cheesy commercial announcer says, “That’s right! It’s Spring Break! And you’ve been deemed cool enough to hang out with...” CUT TO DIAMOND TIARA: “Me.” ZOOM OUT to reveal she’s standing on her daddy’s Mega-Expensive-Yacht™ (“Puh-leeze don’t call it a ‘boat!’”), and it is AMAZING, like a miniature cruise ship, which the narrator tells us about: Three decks, twenty staterooms, a dance hall, and an all-you-

can-eat buffet (and even a second, all-you-can't-eat buffet, it's THAT fancy!). "Get ready for the most relaxing, fun-tastic week of your lives. Brought-to-you-by-Diamond-Tiara."

The invite ends. Sunset deadpans: "Yeah, we're doin' that." Rainbow Dash is like COME ON!!! But before she can get into an argument, we dissolve to:

EXT. HARBOR – THE NEXT MORNING

A <CRUISE SHIP HORN SOUND> and seagulls greet us the next day as students mill about on the dock. Standing at the end of the gangway in the shadow of his Mega-Expense-Yacht, Filthy Rich goes over a few last-minute items with Diamond Tiara, then warns her to take good care of his baby. DT: "Um, actually, I'm your baby." Meanwhile, we check in with the Mane 7 as they approach the gangway, each of them wheeling adorable matched luggage. Fluttershy is hoping make friends with exotic marine life she's never seen before. Rarity couldn't be more excited to do absolutely nothing and look good doing it. Pinkie Pie heard there's a master-chef aboard and she vows to become his apprentice. Everyone expects Applejack to bring her tool box, and she did, but she surprises us by revealing it's packed with nothing but sunscreen and mango-pineapple juice boxes: "work hard, play hard, that's what Granny smith always says." (reveal Granny Smith chillaxin' on a nearby beach, "Y'all got that right. As for Sunset Shimmer, well, she's just excited to do something with her friends over Spring Break... instead of spending it alone like every other year. Which is why, as the Mane 7 board the gangway, she collects their GEODE NECKLACES, promising to keep them safe, but "let's try to have a vacation without fighting a magical villain, okay?" They all agree... except Rainbow Dash, who begrudgingly hands hers over, asking if there's any chance they'll change their mind and go looking for trouble instead of relaxing? "THIS IS GOING TO BE SO BORING!" (Rarity, choosing between three designer sunshades: "Indeed!")

Suddenly, the CAPTAIN runs over—Diamond Tiara's cousin named SILVER SCUPPER... (although I wouldn't mind his name being Scuttlebutt, but that's a bit immature so I'm fine with "Poop Deck" too). He warns SciTwi... she can't bring that massive suitcase aboard, it's causing the ship to list. She opens her bag, revealing TONS of hardcover books including, "Surviving Shipwrecks: How to Survive Maritime Disasters Even If You're a Nervous Wreck." Rainbow Dash is aghast at all the books. Spring break is supposed to be fun! (SciTwi: "Over-preparing is fun!"). Rainbow Dash finally decides she has a purpose: she promises that even though this kind of trip isn't her sport-of-choice, she'll personally make sure SciTwi has a great time. And with that, she packs those books into a duffel bag and throws it to the dock. Spike catches it, waving them off. As the ship sails, away to fun times galore, Spike notices ANOTHER BAG: "Oh no, Sunset! You forgot a bag!" But Sunset Shimmer just waves goodbye to him and winks. He opens it and is surprised/worried to see... Sunset left behind THEIR GEODE NECKLACES. He gives a worried look after the ship, and dark clouds roll in on the horizon.

...END OF PART ONE!