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MY LITTLE PONY

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TEASER

INT. TWILIGHT SPARKLE'S TREETOP LIBRARY

With the curtains closed and lights off, Twilight Sparkle is snuggled in her bed, asleep in a deep slumber. All is quiet in Twilight Sparkle's treetop library, except for Spike, who is sprawled out over his covers, snoring loudly.

1 SPIKE
-snore - -grph- snor-

Suddenly Twilight Sparkle bolts upright, completely awake. With a big smile on her face, she jumps out of bed.

2 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Spike! Wake up! Wake up! It's
Winter Wrap-Up Day! #

Spike rolls around in bed grumbling.

3 SPIKE
Huh...Mommy?...

Twilight Sparkle quickly goes about, getting ready for the day. She grabs a scarf off of a hanger and flips it around her neck.

4 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Winter Wrap-up!

Spike opens an eye.

5 SPIKE
You're not Mommy...

Spike rolls around again.

6 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Spike, the first day of spring is
tomorrow so everypony in Ponyville
needs to clean up winter! Now help
me get ready!

Spike opens his eyes again and looks at Twilight Sparkle.

7 SPIKE (ANNOYED & MUMBLING)
Clean up winter?? Who "cleans up"
winter?! Don't they just use magic
to change the seasons like we do in
Canterlot?

Twilight Sparkle goes over to where she has neatly laid out her winter clothing, boots, saddle, and scarf. She grabs her winter saddle in her teeth and throws it over her back.

8 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
No, Spike. Ponyville was started by #
Earth Ponies, so for hundreds of
years they've never used magic to
clean up winter. It's traditional. #

Spike turns his back.

9 SPIKE
It's ridiculous! No Magic. Pshaw.

Spike closes his eyes and pulls the blanket over his head.

Twilight Sparkle quickly sets her hooves into a quad of rubber boots and whips her scarf around her neck. She looks up at the checklist posted on the wall above her stuff.

10 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Okay, let's see. Scarf, check.
Saddle, check. Boots, check. Spike
refusing to get up and going back
to sleep, check. It's a good thing
I'm so organized! I'm READY! Bright
and EARLY!

She bounds for the door, pushes it open and immediately halts. No one is outside. In fact, it's dark. The stars and moon are still out, and only the sound of crickets are heard. Twilight Sparkle realizes her error.

11 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Oh....maybe a little TOO early...

CUT TO:

MY LITTLE PONY TITLE SEQUENCE

TRANSITION TO:

EXT. PONYVILLE - TOWNSQUARE - DAWN

The morning is finally getting underway, and Twilight Sparkle leaves her house, dragging a tired Spike along on her back. She joins all the other ponies already heading towards the Town Square. Every pony is fitted with one of three different colored vests: blue, green, or tan.

12 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (TO SPIKE)
Those must be the team vests Rarity designed! Blue for the weather team, green for the plant team, and tan for the animal team. I wonder which team vest I'll be wearing!

13 SPIKE
I'll take a blue vest--the same color as my blankie, which I think I hear calling my name (in higher voice)....Spike Spike...come to bed... (yawn) It's too early!

Twilight Sparkle and Spike approach the Town Square to see the Mayor already beginning her speech. Twilight has a big smile on her face, as she stretches her head side to side trying to peek over other ponies' heads.

14 MAYOR
Thank you every pony for being here bright and early. We need every single pony's help to wrap up winter and bring in spring!

All of the ponies cheer.

15 MAYOR (CONT'D)
Now, all of you have your vests and have been assigned to your teams. So let's do even better than last year and have the quickest Winter Wrap-up EVER!

Ponies cheer again. Rarity and Pinkie Pie stand together. Other familiar faces are seen, too.

16 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (TO SPIKE)
Oh, this is so exciting!

The mayor gestures over to a line up of team leaders, whose vests are slightly more elaborate. Applejack & Rainbow Dash are among the team leaders.

17 MAYOR
Alright, every pony. Find your team leader, and let's get galloping!

The ponies begin to split up, leaving Townsquare. Twilight takes a step to the right, stops, then takes a step to the left. She is a little unsure of her next move.

18 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh gosh, where should I go?

A musical act begins here over Twilight's Dialog.

19 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
I'm not sure where I'd fit in. What
exactly does every pony do?

In song, the ponies begin their winter wrap up tasks. The song all takes place in an open area of Ponyville. Twilight Sparkle should be present during each of the teams' verses since she is learning what the teams do through the lyrics of the song. Show the ponies being more general in their actions, because later on in the script the main characters are more specific with Twilight.

Intro: The ponies all stand together and sing.

INTRO (Quiet like Jingle Bells
Intro)

20 RAINBOW DASH
Three months of winter coolness
And awesome holidays

21 PINKIE PIE
We've kept our hoofsies warm at
home
Time off from work to plaaaaaay!

22 APPLEJACK
But the food we've stored is
running out
We can't grow in this cold

23 RARITY
And even though I looove my boots
This fashion's getting old!

Twilight Sparkle looks around, sings to Spike. Spike shrugs his shoulders, not sure how to help Twilight Sparkle.

MAIN SONG:

24 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
The time has come to welcome spring
and all things warm and green
But it's also time to say goodbye
It's winter we must clean!

How can I help? I'm new you see.
(MORE)

TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
What does every pony do?
How do I fit in without magic?
I haven't got a clue!

Ponies sing to each other as they walk to their different destinations. Cut back and forth to the different teams.

25 CHORUS
Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Let's finish our holiday cheer
We must work hard all day to clean
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Some of the weather ponies sing and watch the pegasus fly overhead away from Ponyville.

26 WEATHER TEAM
Bringing home the southern birds
A pegasus job begins
And clearing all the gloomy skies
To let the sun shine in.

Pegasus in the sky sing as they flap their wings and blow some clouds away.

We move the clouds and
We melt the white snow
When the sun comes up
Its warmth and beauty will glow

Cut to different teams again as they sing. Rarity carries a basket of ribbon to a table right outside the Carousel Couture.

27 CHORUS
Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Let's finish our holiday cheer
We must work hard all day to clean
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Animal Team sing as they ring little bells at the entrance of dens in the ground, waking some critters who crawl out and look around, yawning.

28 ANIMAL TEAM
Little critters hibernate
under the snow and ice
We must wake up all their sleepy
heads
So quietly and nice!

Animal Team offers other critters some veggies from a basket.

We help them gather up their food
Clean and fix their homes below
We welcome back the southern birds
So their families can grow!

Ponies sing while they work. Animal team ponies walk with different animals on their backs. Plant team ponies are pulling wagons with snow. Rainbow Dash (in flight) lands on a branch of a tree and jumps on it, shaking snow off its canopy.

29 CHORUS
Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Let's finish our holiday cheer
We must work hard all day to clean
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Plant team ponies are raking the ground. They are also looking at the different labeled baskets of seeds.

30 PLANT TEAM
It's no easy task to clear the
ground
And plant our tiny seeds
with proper care and sunshine
Everyone it feeds!

Apples, carrots, celery stalks,
Colorful flowers, too
We all must work so very hard
There's just so much to do!

Weather team ponies shovel snow off of roofs. Little child ponies play with critters in the snow.

Pinkie Pie puts on her skates. With her skates, she scores the ice and other ponies leap on them, breaking them into ice burgs. Weather Team Pegasus move clouds and the resulting sunbeams start melting the pieces.

31 CHORUS
Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Let's finish our holiday cheer
We must work hard all day to clean
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

SLOW INTERLUDE (LIKE INTRO:)

Twilight Sparkle walks around looking at all the busy ponies.

32 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Now that I know what they all do
I have to find my place
And help with all my heart
A tough task ahead of me I face!

How will I do without my magic
Can I help the earth pony way?
I want to belong and so I must!
And do my best today!

The ponies stop what they are doing and sing together the last chorus in the song.

BACK TO MAIN SONG, LARGER CHORUS:

33 CHORUS
Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Let's finish our holiday cheer
We must work hard all day to clean
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

Winter Wrap-up! Winter Wrap-up!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!
Cuz tomorrow spring is here!

The musical act ends. As the ponies are splitting up, Twilight Sparkle is still unsure.

34 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (TO SPIKE)
Every pony belongs to a team! What should I do? Where should I go?

Just then, Rainbow Dash passes by, directing some other pegasus.

35 RAINBOW DASH
All right Team! You're cleared for take off!

The team flies off.

36 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Rainbow Dash!

37 RAINBOW DASH
Oh hey, Twilight. What's up?

38 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What are you doing?

39 RAINBOW DASH
Sending off one of my flight crews to retrieve the birds that have flown south for the winter.

40 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh! Can I help?

Rainbow Dash smirks.

41 RAINBOW DASH
Sure--- if you suddenly sprout a pair of wings.

42 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh, oh, right, of course! Well, how about if I help clear out the clouds?

43 RAINBOW DASH
Um...

Rainbow flaps her wings pointedly. Twilight is a little down.

44 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Right. No wings.

45 RAINBOW DASH
Sorry Twilight.

Rainbow Dash takes off in flight, leaving Twilight and Spike. Twilight kicks at the dirt.

46 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Great. Now what do we do?

Spike is getting comfy in a pile of leaves.

47 SPIKE
I don't know about you, but I'm going to be napping. In 3....2.... *snooooooore...*

Twilight shakes him awake.

48 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
C'mon Spike! This is serious business. Winter needs to be wrapped up and I'm determined to do my part!!

She loses her confidence.

49 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
(unsure)
Somehow...

FADE TO BLACK.

END OF ACT I

ACT II

EXT. CAROUSEL COUTURE

Rarity has set up shop outside The Carousel Couture. Rarity has a ribbon in her mouth, pulling it up from a carefully woven series of sticks and string. Upon closer inspection, it seems that Rarity is making a bird's nest. Twilight Sparkle and Spike come up beside Rarity.

50 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Rarity! Please tell me there's something, anything, I can help you with!

51 RARITY
Well, how would like to help create Ponyville's finest birds' nests?

52 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Bird's nests?

53 RARITY
Why yes, when the Weather Team guides the birds back north for the spring, they'll need a place to live and lay their eggs.

54 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Wow, Rarity, that one's really beautiful.

55 RARITY
Why, thank you most sincerely! Though it's not perfect just yet; it needs some final touches... Would you like to try your hoof at a nest?

Twilight gets excited.

56 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Would I?! Yes! Where do I begin?

As Rarity explains, Twilight moves through the motions.

57 RARITY
Okay, now, take some of that straw and hay over there. And a little bit of branch.

The camera is close up on Rarity and Spike's faces as Rarity explains what to do, without revealing Twilight's nest.

58 RARITY (CONT'D)
Now, weave it through there, yes. Take some ribbon, yes. Oop, not there. Um, yes, tuck it in over there. Be careful not to-- ok, I guess that'll do. Um, wait. Uh, ok. A little bit more there. Oh dear...

Rarity tries to smile.

59 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (O.S.)
THERE!

Camera reveals Twilight Sparkle and her "creation." It is a ghastly mess of sticks, thorns, & ribbon knots.

60 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
It looks just like....

Twilight Sparkle sees the difference between her nest and Rarity's.

61 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
...yours. (beat) Oh my.

62 SPIKE
Oh my? More like, OH MESS! That nest needs to be condemned!

Rarity tries to be positive.

63 RARITY
Oh, Spike, it's not so bad...um, maybe the birds can use it, as a...I don't know... maybe--

64 SPIKE
--an outhouse?

65 RARITY
Spike! It's just fine. Just a little rough around the edges. Let me just lend you a hoof...

Rarity pulls it away from Twilight and starts fussing with it, trying to fix it up.

66 RARITY (CONT'D)
Let's untie that ribbon. And if we take out these sticks here. And reshape this...

Close up on Spike and Twilight. Twilight sinks in disappointment as Rarity revises her work.

RARITY (V.O.) (CONT'D)
...so it looks more cozy. And these twigs should go here...

SPIKE
(aside to Twilight)
I think we lost her.

Twilight hangs her head and exits, Spike following behind. Rairty's too consumed to notice.

67 RARITY (CONT'D)
We need to weave the string in through this section here, you see?

CUT TO:

EXT. SADDLE LAKE

Twilight Sparkle and Spike walk over to a ledge, revealing Pinkie Pie gracefully ice skating over the frozen lake.

She flawlessly skates with double figure eights and spins with perfection. It is truly a beautiful sight. Pinkie Pie looks up and sees Twilight Sparkle and Spike watching her in awe.

68 PINKIE PIE
Hellooooooo Twilight!
Weeeeeeeeeeee!

She spins faster and faster. Twilight Sparkle and Spike walk back from the ledge and reappear below at the lake's bank. Pinkie Pie skates up to them.

69 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Wow, Pinkie Pie, you're quite the skater! Probably the best skater I've ever seen!

70 PINKIE PIE
Thanks, Twilight! I've been doin' this since I was an itty bitty, little wittle, twinkie Pinkie! Just comes naturally!

Pinkie Pie does another spin.

71 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Which is why they probably designated me the "lake scorer."

72 SPIKE
The "lake what?"

73 PINKIE PIE
The "lake SCORE-ER." I cut lines in #
the lake with my skates, making a super duper special pattern. That way when the rest of the weather team comes here to break the ice, it'll be easy peasy---easy as PIE!

74 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I see. How clever. When the thick ice begins to melt, it will break along the lines. Well, you sure have a lot of work ahead of you--there's quite a few lakes in Ponyville.

75 PINKIE PIE
Tell me about it! Hey, Twilight--wanna help me out?

Twilight gets excited.

76 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Would I?!

77 PINKIE PIE
C'mon--put on those skates over there. I bet you'll be a natural, too!

Twilight looks over at the skates.

78 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Ok!

79 PINKIE PIE
Yay! Yippee! Zippera zee! Dweedle dee! Whoop whoop a diddaly doo!

Pinkie Pie zips off on her skates. She does another flip in the air and lands on one hoof. Back to Twilight Sparkle, she is just planting her front two skates on the ice. Her knees are wobbly.

80 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Maybe on second thought---

Spike is standing behind her.

81 SPIKE
What're you talkin' about? You said you wanted to be helpful. Now get out there!

Spike gives her a big push from behind and sends her zooming out onto the ice. Twilight's legs spread super wide and she can't stop herself as she begins to tail spin.

82 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Whoah whoah whoah whoah!...

Spike puts his paw over his mouth with a big smile and wide eyes.

83 PINKIE PIE
Twilight! Steer! Steer! Ok, just go straight! Uh, stop! Eeeeee!

In cartoon fashion, Twilight Sparkle zips on and off screen right and left. Every time she enters on screen she is in a different uncontrolled position, spinning, on two legs scrambling, backwards. She goes past Pinkie Pie each time. Finally she is headed straight for Pinkie Pie.

84 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Okay, good Twilight, just keep going straight...

Twilight gets closer to screen (towards Pinkie Pie who is in front of screen).

85 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Whaaa---whoah---

86 PINKIE PIE
I'm gonna getcha! Just easy...easy...

Closer Twilight gets, seemingly more outta control.

87 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Aaaahhh----whoo-----oh---

88 PINKIE PIE
Ooooh boy, yeeee---

Then BANG! Twilight crashes into Pinkie Pie, sweeping her off of her feet. Together they slide down the ice and crash into the snowbank where Spike is standing, sweeping him off of his feet. The 2 ponies and Spike each form a snowman, covered in snow except for their eyes. They all shake their heads to remove the snow.

89 SPIKE (LAUGHING)
You ARE a natural Twilight! A natural disaster! Ah ha ha!

Twilight Sparkle doesn't look pleased. Pinkie Pie tries to cheer her up. They climb out of their snowman shapes onto the bank.

90 PINKIE PIE
Twilight, you did a great job your first time around. I'm sure my first time was just as wobbly and bobbly and crasheriffic as yours!

Twilight brightens.

91 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Really?

92 PINKIE PIE
Well, no.

Twilight sinks.

93 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
But did I make you feel better?

Pinkie's sincerity helps Twilight perk up a bit.

94 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
He he. Yeah, I guess.

Pinkie Pie helps Twilight up off of the ice.

95 PINKIE PIE
I bet you'll be super awesome at something that keeps your hooves on the ground!

96 SPIKE
Preferably somewhere without ice!

Pinkie gets an idea.

97 PINKIE PIE
I know! Fluttershy could probably use your help with the critters.

98 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Well, I'm pretty good with little animals. Yeah! I'll go help her!

99 PINKIE PIE
Wait! --

Twilight Sparkle forgets she has skates on and zips off in the wrong direction over the ice again. Offscreen we hear her crash. Pinkie Pie flinches. She hesitantly gestures in the other direction.

100 PINKIE PIE (SOFTLY) (CONT'D)
Er...it's that-a-way.

CUT TO:

EXT. PONYVILLE - AREA WITH CAVES AND BURROWS

Twilight Sparkle and Spike arrive to see Fluttershy's body halfway into a burrow. They hear a little bell softly ringing in the burrow and Fluttershy kindly speaking.

101 FLUTTERSHY
Wake up, lil sleepy heads! Hope you had some wonderful dreams and restful hibernation! But it's time to get up now--spring is coming!

They watch Fluttershy back up out of the burrow. Following her are a couple of adult hedgehogs. They get up on their hind legs and rub their eyes with their paws. They yawn and shake their heads. Twilight looks down at the little hedgehogs. They smile at her and scamper off.

102 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Awwwwww! How cute!

103 FLUTTERSHY (LOVINGLY)
Aren't they? This is my favorite task of the whole season, when I get to see all of my animal friends again.

104 SPIKE
What's "hibernation?"

105 FLUTTERSHY
It's like a long sleep.

Spike gets more interested as the group walks over to another warren. Fluttershy rings her little bell at the entrance.

106 SPIKE
Long sleep?

107 FLUTTERSHY
Yes. (into the warren) Wake up little porcupines! (back to Spike) Animals often hibernate through the winter to save their energy and eat less food.

108 SPIKE
I definitely like the idea of hibernation. Er, except for the "eat less food" part.

Two porcupines emerge and yawn and stretch. They look at each other and hug--then immediately recoil from each others' pointy quills.

109 FLUTTERSHY (O.S.)
When spring comes, we wake up the hibernating animals, so they can start collecting food and feed their new babies!

Fluttershy gets a worried face.

110 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
But just look at all these warrens and dens! I'm worried that I won't be able to wake up every animal before spring comes!

111 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Well, I'll help, Fluttershy!

112 FLUTTERSHY
You will? Oh, that would be wonderful!

She gives Twilight a bell and heads offscreen. Twilight looks around.

113 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (TO SPIKE)
Ok, where should we begin.

They notice a bunch of burrows.

114 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Let's start there!

They approach a large burrow. Twilight gets down on her knees and crawls into the burrow slowly. The camera shows a cut out view of Twilight's head entering from screen left into a hollowed out room. It's empty, but there is another tunnel to the right. Twilight calls out gently and rings the bell.

115 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Helloooo! Wake up, little friends, wherever you are! Spring is coming!

She hears some rustling & a few yawns. She gets a big smile on her face.

116 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Oh, I wonder which cute little furry creatures I've awoken!

From the right tunnels, out come...a family of snakes! Twilight Sparkle screams.

117 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Aaah! Snakes! Snakes!

The snakes get scared at her screaming, and they begin to frantically look at each other, slither and hiss-scream.

Outside Fluttershy hears the commotion. She looks at Spike, who shrugs his shoulders. Twilight Sparkle quickly scrambles out of the burrow backwards, and keeps backing up too far.

She enters a dark cave behind her, disappearing into the darkness. After a beat, another scream is heard from the cave, as Twilight comes galloping out, followed by a large swarm of bats.

118 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
AAAAAAAAAAAHHHHHHHH!

Fluttershy puts her head on the ground and covers her eyes with her hooves. Twilight gallops away, looking behind her at the cave. All of a sudden, she bangs into a tree. A bee hive falls and plops onto her head. Bees come buzzing out all over the place. Again, in the dark, she screams (muffled) and gallops aimlessly.

119 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (MUFFLED) (CONT’D)
AAAAAAHHHHHHH!!

Blinded by the hive on her head, she runs into a smaller cave (a large warren). There is a small crash, and then silence. Spike looks over. Fluttershy raises one hoof and apprehensively looks up. Out of the warren, an annoyed family of skunks marches out, their odor trailing behind them. They pass Fluttershy.

120 FLUTTERSHY (MEEPISHLY)
Good morning, friends...
Rise...and...shine...?

From inside the warren we hear...

121 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (V.O.)
...moooooaaannnn...

CUT TO:

INT. TWILIGHT SPARKLE’S LIBRARY LOFT

In a large wooden bath bucket sits Twilight Sparkle, covered in little bumpy bee stings and dripping in goopy tomato sauce. She looks miserable, as Spike scrubs the top of her head with a brush. He has a clothes pin on his nose.

122 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
All this Winter-Wrap Up stuff is a lot harder than it looks!

123 SPIKE
(nose pinched)
Right! Because there’s NO MAGIC! Why don’t you just use magic, Twilight, and get it done the RIGHT way.

Twilight scowls at Spike.

124 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
No Spike. I have to do it the traditional way. Ponyville has never needed magic to wrap up winter. #

125 SPIKE
But they've never had you here before, either. Think of how much quicker they could wrap up winter with your magic!

Twilight looks disgruntled but determined.

126 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
No no NO! I'm gonna find some other way that I can help out if it *kills* me! #

Spike dump another can of tomato juice over her head.

127 SPIKE
...or all of us!

CUT TO:

EXT. APPLEJACK'S FARM

On the farm, Applejack is directing her plant team. The stronger, larger ponies are driving individual snow plows at different rates, in a not-very-organized fashion. But they are getting the job done. The ponies are inside the contraptions, using their own feet to push them (similar to Flintstone's autos).

128 APPLEJACK
Keep pushin' Crabby! That's it, Mac! I know it's hard work but you guys are doin' great! Yee haw!

Twilight Sparkle is impressed and approaches Applejack with Spike.

129 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Hey Applejack! How's everything going?

130 APPLEJACK
Oh, just dandy. A little slow startin', but peachy all the same.
(MORE)

APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
There's a lot of ground to clear, ya hear? We can't even start the plantin' & waterin' until we get all this heap o' snow high-tailed outta here!

131 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Well, I'd like to help!

Applejack eyes Twilight.

132 APPLEJACK
Oh, well, I dunno Twilight. See here them plows are mighty tricky, all the maneuverin' and pushin' and the strength ya need to--

133 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I know I can do it--just give me a chance.

134 APPLEJACK
Well, I never turn down a hard worker, but---

Before Applejack can finish, Twilight Sparkle bounds off to the plows. She hops into one of them as Applejack and Spike look on. She gets a very determined look on her face, and with a big breath, she thrusts her chest against the inside of the plow and pushes with all her might. Her hooves dig a bit into the ground, but the plow doesn't budge. She stops, repositions, takes another deep breath, and pushes again. No luck.

135 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
<out of breath> huh, huh, huh...

Twilight Sparkle looks up and sees the larger ponies in their plows pushing and collecting the snow with ease.

136 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (TO HERSELF) (CONT'D)
C'mon Twilight! You've gotta help somehow!!

Another breath and another push. He hooves push deeper into the ground, sweat forms on her brow as she strains. She looks like she's going to have an aneurism!

137 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
<escalating straining noises>

She stops again, exhausted.

138 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
<out of breath> huh, huh, huh...
it's no... huh, huh... use!

She looks over and sees Applejack and Spike watching her, shaking their heads with pity. A voice pops into her head.

139 SPIKE (V.O.)
Use magic, Twilight, and get it
done the RIGHT way....

Twilight bites her lip, looks around again.

140 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (TO HERSELF)
I could use a "come to life" spell,
but I've never used it on anything
bigger than a hairbrush.

Spike's voice pops into her head again.

141 SPIKE (V.O.)
....Think of how much quicker they
could wrap up winter with your
magic!...

Twilight looks around to make sure no one is watching, her eyes darting around guiltily. With the coast clear, she hunkers down.

142 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh, here goes!

Twilight's horn glows, enchanting the plow. The plow begins to move. Twilight notices it moving, smiles, and gets herself into position, pushing with her chest and trotting easily, giving the appearance that she's pushing it. But the plow goes faster. Applejack sees this and suspicion grows.

143 APPLEJACK (TO SPIKE)
She's a might awful strong for such
a little pony...

Spike figures out what Twilight has done.

144 SPIKE
That's my girl! Followin' my
advice!

145 APPLEJACK
And what in tarnation does that
mean?

But the plow goes faster, and now Twilight is worried. She can’t keep up with it.

146 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Uh oh...

The plow speeds up more. Twilight’s leg cycle frantically to keep up with the pace.

147 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Slow down! Slow down!

The plow only speeds up, collecting mounds of snow. Soon a giant snowball forms in the shovel of the plow, and it quickly gets bigger and bigger. Twilight is stuck in the plow, unable to get out. She is galloping with it and it veers out of control. It plows in zig zags, nearly hitting other ponies as they leap out of the way. The snowball picks up Spike and Applejack.

148 APPLEJACK & SPIKE
AAAUUUGHHH!!!!

It comically rolls along with the plow, and each time Applejack comes to the top of the ball, she yells at Twilight.

149 APPLEJACK
What’s going on!

Applejack rolls under the ball and around again.

150 APPLEJACK (CONT’D)
What did you do?!

Applejack rolls under the ball and around again.

151 APPLEJACK (CONT’D)
You used magic, didn’t you!

Twilight continues to gallop in the plow and sticks her head out the side.

152 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I can’t stop it!

Finally Twilight, the plow, and the giant snowball hit the side of a snowy ridge. The impact loosens the snow above and sends a mini avalanche their way. The avalanche carries all of them and the plow back to the middle of the field. When it all settles, Applejack, Twilight, and Spike pop their heads out of the snow and shake the snow off.

Camera reveals that there are ponies everywhere buried in the snow, and the entire field is covered with snow, right back to where they were when they had first started. Applejack is mad.

153 APPLEJACK
Nuts Twilight! YOU USED MAGIC!!

154 SPIKE (TO APPLEJACK)
The nerve! Can you believe her?

Applejack scowls at Spike.

155 SPIKE (CONT'D)
What?

Twilight lowers her head and looks at Applejack sheepishly.

156 APPLEJACK (ANGRY)
That's not how we do it round here, Twilight. And especially NOT ON MY FARM!

157 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Sorry--I know--but, well see--I just wanted to--oh!!!

Her lower lip quivers, and she gallops off before anyone can see her cry.

FADE TO BLACK.

END OF ACT II

ACT III

EXT. PONYVILLE - TOWNSQUARE

Busy ponies can be seen hard at work, plowing, jumping on trees, flying overhead, etc. Spike is talking to a snow covered shrub.

158 SPIKE
C'mon Twilight, come on out...

159 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (V.O.)
I'm a Winter Mess-up!

Spike tries to cheer her up.

160 SPIKE
Twilight, you're good at a lot of things....just not nest making, ice skating, animal waking, snow clearing---

161 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (V.O.)
(sarcastically)
Thanks a lot for making me feel SOOO MUCH BETTER!

Spike doesn't catch on.

162 SPIKE
That's what I'm here for, sister. Huh?

Suddenly, something catches Spike's attention. He looks over and sees Applejack confronting Rainbow Dash.

163 APPLEJACK
Rainbow Dash, y'all on the weather team need to melt the rest of this snow here on the ground and trees pronto!

164 RAINBOW DASH
Got it!

Rainbow Dash turns to walk off when Fluttershy rushes up to them.

165 FLUTTERSHY
You can't! My poor little animals' homes will get flooded if the snow melts too fast! #

166 RAINBOW DASH
Got it!

She stops and stays put.

167 APPLEJACK
I'm tellin' ya Rainbow, ya gotta melt the snow NOW!

168 RAINBOW DASH
Ok.

Rainbow starts off, but---

169 FLUTTERSHY
Noooo! You simply must wait!

170 RAINBOW DASH
Ok.

Rainbow stays put.

171 APPLEJACK
Go!

Rainbow starts off. This continues as...

172 FLUTTERSHY
Stop!

173 APPLEJACK
Go!

174 FLUTTERSHY
Stop!

175 APPLEJACK
Go!

176 FLUTTERSHY
Stop!

177 RAINBOW DASH
AARRGHH!! Make up your minds!!

Spike looks on, curious. The Mayor runs passed him in a tizzy.

178 MAYOR
Oooooh! This is a disaster!
Simply a disaster!

The Mayor stops in front of the group.

179 MAYOR (CONT'D)
What in Equestria are you all arguing about! This sort of silliness is why we were late for Spring last year....and the year before that and the year before that!

Twilight pops her head out of the shrub, suddenly interested.

180 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Did she say "late?"

181 MAYOR
I was hoping my amazingly inspirational speech would urge everyone to do better than last year, but now it looks like we're going to be later than *ever!* I mean just look at this catastrophe!

CUT TO:

EXT. SADDLE LAKE

A quick camera swish pan reveals Pinkie Pie standing in the middle on one chunk of ice, the others too far for her to jump to.

182 MAYOR
The ice scorers totally bungled their jobs! They made the ice chunks too big to melt!

CUT TO:

EXT. CAROUSEL COUTURE

Swish pan to Rarity, admiring her beautiful nest she's made. She looks at Twilight's effort which is still a mess and with a sidelong glance she slides it off the table into the trash. She goes back to admiring her nest. Camera zooms out to show that there are materials around here but it's the only nest she's made. There is a sign with a picture of a nest on it, and below is one tally mark.

183 MAYOR
The nest designer is horrendously behind! We need several hundred and she's only made one! #

CUT TO:

EXT. TOWNSQUARE

As the Mayor lists off disasters, we swish pan around to visual examples of each.

184 MAYOR (CONT'D)
And don't get me started on all the clouds still in the sky, the icicles in the trees--- oh!
(MORE)

MAYOR (CONT'D)
And a **new** disaster this year: angry swarms of cranky bats and bees!! This isn't good. Not. At. All!

The ponies start to argue again. They overlap each other.

185 APPLEJACK
And it's goin' to be all to pieces disastrous if we can't get our seeds all planted!

186 RAINBOW DASH
Chilax, Applejack! We're bustin' our chops as fast as we can! --

187 FLUTTERSHY
No, not fast! You have to wake animals *slowly!!!*

Spike watches Big Apple enters the scene, worried.

188 BIG APPLE
Uh, AJ...?

189 APPLEJACK
Oh good gravy!! Crabby lost the grass seeds again, didn't he?

190 BIG APPLE
Y-up.

Two pegasus drop down into the scene from the sky.

191 PEGASUS # 1
Rainbow Dash, Ditzy Doo accidentally went North to get the southern birds!

192 RAINBOW DASH
That feather brain! Didn't she learn her lesson last year when she went West?

193 PONY CROWD
<chaotic arguing walla>

The Mayor tries to get them to stop to no avail. And as the arguing builds, other ponies approach to watch and join in the arguing.

PONY CROWD
<chaotic arguing walla>

MAYOR
Ponies! Stop this at once! We don't have the time to argu---

All the ponies argue louder and the tension builds.

194 MAYOR
It's almost sundown! Spring is going to be late again. Another year of scandal and shame! If only we could be MORE ORGANIZED!

BING!!! Twilight's eyes light up! She leaps out of the shrub and strikes a heroic pose!

195 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Spike!! Get my checklist and clipboard. Stat!

Spike doesn't catch on.

196 SPIKE
This is no time to be scribbling ideas down---

197 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
--NOW!

198 SPIKE
Yes Ma'am!

Spike dashes off to retrieve her clipboard. Twilight gallops up to the crowd.

199 APPLEJACK, RAINBOW DASH, FLUTTERSHY
-Arguing Walla-

200 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Stop it everypony! Stop it!

They continue. Twilight lets out a super loud whistle from her mouth.

201 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
-TWEEEEEEEE!-

Immediately everypony turns to Twilight, stunned and surprised by Twilight's whistle.

202 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
I KNOW you all want to complete your jobs on time, but arguing is no way to go about it! What you need is...

Spike suddenly appears brandishing the clip board and a feather pen.

203 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
...ORGANIZATION!!! And I'm JUST the pony for the job!

There is a quiet beat. All the ponies nod. Fluttershy, Applejack and Rainbow Dash are standing in front of the crowd. They smile hopefully.

An instrumental reprise of the original musical number begins, without lyrics. While the characters speak and their mouths open & close, their voices cannot be heard.

Spike holds Twilight Sparkle's clipboard while on her back. She addresses groups of ponies. As they walk away, she looks at Spike. He checks off a list on the clipboard (not viewable) and smiles at Twilight.

Twilight stands and talks next to Rarity. There is now an assembly line for the nests. A pony brings bales of hay next to the assembly line. A long camera pan reveals one pony is in charge of the hay and stick formation of the nest, another in charge of ribbons. Another is in charge of adding hay. The last is in charge of taking the nests to a wagon. Other ponies are attaching them to tree branches. Three other ponies sit at a table and hold up cards with the number "10" on them (like they are grading a pageant). Rarity is very pleased! It's a very smooth operation and it is apparent that Rarity and Twilight are both very happy. Spike checks off his list again.

Twilight is explaining to Pinkie Pie and a group of other ponies down by some still-frozen lakes. She shows them blueprints with even, mathematical grids over diagrams of the lakes. The diagrams show many lakes. She points to a lake on the diagram and then points away from screen, to designate where the ponies should go. Close by there is already a group of pony skaters on another lake. Ponies glide in straight, fast lines from each side of the screen and cross each other right in the middle. It looks balanced and choreographed, leaving perfect square lines.

At Applejack's farm, Twilight Sparkle and Applejack line up strong ponies in plows in rows along the entire field. Directly behind each snow plow are the dirt plowers (pulling traditinal plows) and after them, the seed scatterers. It looks like a very organized operation. Applejack grabs a flag with an apple motif on it and swings it high. Everyone begins to move. Twilight and Applejack high five each other. Standing on a bale of hay, Spike takes a bite out of a big apple and a worm pops out. He gets scared and falls off behind the bale. Twilight and Applejack laugh. Spike emerges with the clipboard and a scowl and checks off the list.

Twilight shows Fluttershy a special bell in front of a warren. The camera reveals that the bell is attached by string to many other bells, all placed strategically in front of the dens. Fluttershy pulls on the string and all the bells ring. All at once a bunch of little critters come out of their warrens, yawning and stretching their arms. Out of the last warren slithers a family of snakes. Yawning and stretching as well. They smile at Fluttershy. Fluttershy smiles back, and turns to Twilight. But Twilight isn't there. Fluttershy looks up to see her in a tree, worriedly smiling back. Spike and Fluttershy giggle and Spike makes another checkmark on his list. Fluttershy waves over to Rainbow Dash.

Seeing Fluttershy's signal, Rainbow Dash directs her team to blow away the clouds. The gusts of wind also blow ice off of the trees. Water begins to flow from the mountains into the lake, melting the ice and separating it into clean cut icecubes. As the day turns into night, the ponies continue to work. Silhouettes of ponies plowing and flying around can be seen under the clear moon. Twilight Sparkle is right there with the rest of them working. Mayor is helping, too.

As the sun begins to rise, pegasi return with birds following them. The skies are clear. Applejack's team is finishing watering the fields, and the animals are all beginning to play in the fields. The sun shines brightly as little blades of grass emerge from the ground. Turtles swim happily in the lake and fish jump out of the water. Flowers begin to bloom, bees buzz loudly and even with the ponies tired, spring is filled with energy. The reprise ends.

All the ponies look on, tired, wiped out, including Twilight Sparkle. She looks over the valley at what all has been accomplished. Mayor approaches.

204 MAYOR
I can't believe it. Spring is here...ON TIME!

She turns to Twilight Sparkle.

205 MAYOR (CONT'D)
And we have you to thank for it. If it weren't for your organizing skills, we would still be arguing! #

206 RAINBOW DASH, RARITY, FLUTTERSHY, PINKIE PIE
Ha ha ha!

207 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
It was a team effort. I was only a a small piece of the puzzle.
(MORE)

TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
But it was wonderful to be a part of all this.

208 MAYOR
And since you helped every team, we have an official vest for you!

Rarity emerges with a vest and throws it over Twilight's back. It is a vest with all three team colors on it. Twilight is very pleased.

209 MAYOR (CONT'D)
We give you the title, "ALL-Team Organizer!"

210 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Gosh! I don't know what to say! Thank you everypony.

211 MAYOR
And hearby I declare, that WINTER is... WRAPPED UP! ON TIME!!!

212 PONY CROWD
YAAAAYYY!!!!!

Everyone cheers. But then they are interrupted by the sound of snoring off screen. They look around to find Spike asleep on a last mini iceberg on the lake.

213 APPLEJACK
Spike's shore goin' to be in fer a hog-sized surprised when that last piece o' ice melts!

Everyone laughs and cheers again.

FADE TO BLACK.

FADE IN:

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As the scene fades in, sneezing can be heard. Spike, still damp, is bundled in a bathrobe and dragon slippers in front of the fireplace. Shivering, he writes Twilight's letter as she narrates.

214 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Dear Princess Celestia...Winter #
Wrap Up was one of the most special
things I have been a part of here
in Ponyville. It helped me learn #
that we all have hidden talents,
and if we're patient and diligent,
we are sure to find them!! And as
always, with good friendship and
teamwork, ponies can accomplish
anything! How's that, Spike? ....
Spike?

Twilight looks over to see that Spike has passed out again, snoring loudly on top of the letter, holding the quill.

215 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Oh Spike.... -giggle-

THE END.

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