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MY LITTLE PONY IV

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THE RING OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

While looking for a book for Twilight, Spike finds a tattered comic in the Golden Oak Library and soon becomes enthralled by its exciting storyline. The comic centers on a team of Superheroes who have banded together to form “The Ring of Righteousness.” Their nemesis is The Mane-iac, an evil genius who is keen on taking over the city of Maretropolis. Spike loves the comic, but his least favorite character is the Ring of Righteousness’ sidekick Stomper who has zero superpowers and in Spike’s opinion is just irritating and useless to the team.

Little does Spike realize that the comic book is enchanted and when he wishes he could be a part of the “Ring of Righteousness” he not only sends himself, but Twilight, Pinkie Pie, Rarity, Rainbow Dash, Fluttershy, and Applejack into the comic book world of Maretropolis. The ponies soon find themselves possessing the superpowers of the Ring of Righteousness and sporting their flashy superhero costumes. But poor Spike finds that he is stuck in the persona of Stomper!

As it turns out, the only way to get out of the comic book world and back to Ponyville is to reach the end of the story and defeat The Mane-iac. And though it takes our ponies a little bit of effort to master their new powers and get used to their new costumes, they are soon working like a well-oiled superhero machine. Alas, Spike is so eager to prove to everyone that he is a much more valuable part of the team than Stomper ever was that he only hinders their efforts to defeat The Mane-iac.

Spike eventually starts to believe that maybe he is just a useless sidekick like Stomper. That is until the Mane-iac manages to capture the members of the Ring of Righteousness and it falls on Spike/Stomper to rescue them. (The Mane-iac doesn’t bother to capture Spike/Stomper because he too thinks Stomper isn’t a valuable member of the team and is in no way a threat.) But with his friends in trouble and no one but him left to save them from being stuck in Maretropolis forever, Spike digs deep and finds a way (sans superpowers) to free the members of the Ring of Righteousness. In the end, Spike proves that every friend has something important to offer (even if it isn’t as exciting as heat vision or super-sonic speed). Spike and the Ring of Righteousness defeat The Mane-iac once and for all, and return to Ponyville.