

We need to pickup.

Tara Strong @ "Twilight Sparkle"

As Recorded
Sept 24/14
@ Def's.
(takes 131-136)

We need to pickup

Richard Cox @ "Featherweight"

As Recorded
Sept 17/14
@ Def's.
(takes 124-130)

We need to pickup

Maddy Peters @ "Scootaloo"
(1)

As Recorded
Oct 20/14
@ Def's.
(takes 157-164)

As Recorded
Sept 10/14

@ Def's
(takes 1-123)

Distribution:

Production

Devon Cody
Meghan McCarthy
Jayson Thiessen
Jim Miller
Lesley Crawford
Melinda See

The HUB

Tegan Molloy
Allegra Newman
Linda Shima Tsuno
Wayne Winstead

Hasbro Studios

Stephen Davis
Kathy Page
Michael Vogel
Brian Lenard
Finn Arnesen
Nina Scales

Hasbro Brand

You Sun Hwang
Samantha Lomow
Gretchen Forrest
Marissa Mansolillo

MY LITTLE PONY V

"The One Where Pinkie Pie Knows"

Episode 520

Written by: G .M. Berrow

Locked Polish: August 21, 2014
Approved Polish: August 08, 2014
Polish: August 01, 2014
2nd Draft: July 28, 2014
1st Draft: July 08, 2014
Outline: June 12, 2014
Premise: May 20, 2014

TEASER

FADE IN:

SC. 1 - EXT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - MORNING - ESTABLISHING

A busy day in Ponyville. A few ponies trot past the shop.

SC. 2 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - CONTINUOUS

Mrs. Cake accepts a SCROLL from a DELIVERY PONY as Pinkie Pie uses a PASTRY TUBE to squirt hearty dollops of green icing onto a batch of cupcakes.

1 PINKIE PIE
Five hundred and sixty-six, five
hundred and sixty-seven... five
hundred and sixty-eight!

~~Pinkie sighs, exhausted.~~ She wipes away sweat and smiles triumphantly at her masterpiece-- a gigantic cupcake display.

2 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Look at that, Pound Cake. I am soooo
close to breaking my personal cupcake
icing record!

She looks over at POUND CAKE who sucks on a pacifier. GUMMY is perched on top of Pound Cake's head gumming on a rattle.

3 MRS. CAKE
My goodness!
(re: the scroll)
I can't believe what I'm seeing here!

Pinkie Pie admires her cupcake display.

4 PINKIE PIE
Pretty impressive, if I do say so
myself.

5 MRS. CAKE
Pinkie, would you mind watching the
counter while I pop to the supply
room? We just received a very special
order and the ingredients need to be
perfect.

6 PINKIE PIE
Okie-dokie-lokie.

7 ⁴ ⁵ MRS. CAKE
 (scurrying off)
 Thanks, dear. Be back in a few!

Pinkie Pie shrugs and lifts another batch of plain cupcakes onto the counter.

8 PINKIE PIE
 (squeezing frosting)
 Five hundred and sixty-nine. Five hundred and seventy. Five hundred and seventy one.

Suddenly the pastry bag runs dry. Pinkie inspects it and reaches for another tub of frosting on the counter. Her hoof knocks the scroll onto the ground. It rolls across the floor.

9 ⁷ ⁶ PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
 Whoopsies!

Pinkie BOUNCES over and picks the scroll up by one end. It unfurls in front of her (note: we shouldn't see anything but the back). Her eyes quickly scan the page and grow enormous.

10 ⁶ PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
 A baby?! Shining Armor and Princess Cadance are having A BABY?!

Pinkie's face morphs into a huge smile. She does an elated twirl, swinging Gummy around with her.

11 ⁷ PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
 This is the best news ever! I can't wait to tell Twilight!

^{11A} ^{in take} ⁷ She bounces around the room

12 ⁶ MRS. CAKE (O.S.)
 (from the back of the shop)
 Oh and Pinkie? Please don't peep at that scroll. It's a Top Secret surprise!

Pinkie stops frozen mid-air. Her face flushes white as she falls right into the middle of the cupcake display. She pops out of the pile of obliterated cupcakes.

13 PINKIE PIE
 A Top Secret Surprise? But that means I have to keep the exciting news...

^{13A} ^{in take} ⁷ She gulps.

14 4 5 7 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
... to myself!

Off Pinkie's look of horror as we...

END TEASER.

MAIN TITLES.

ACT 1

SC. 3 - EXT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE - LATER

Pinkie Pie trots towards the castle. Gummy rides on her back.

15 8 9 PINKIE PIE
Even though I didn't technically make
a Pinkie Promise to Mrs. Cake, I can't
tell Twilight or anypony the big news.
That would make me a... a... big ole'
surprise ruiner! Right, Gummy?

Gummy doesn't respond. Pinkie Pie turns around to see that he
is sucking on a PACIFIER.

16 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Did you take that from Pound Cake
again? Don't you know it's wrong to
steal from a BABY?

RARITY trots up alongside her.

17 RARITY
What's all this about a baby?

The two keep walking towards the castle.

18 PINKIE PIE
(suspicious)
What? Who said something about a baby?

19 RARITY
You did, darling. Just now. So what
were you talking about?

Pinkie yanks the pacifier out of Gummy's mouth and sticks it
in her own. She mimes to her plugged mouth with a shrug. Off
Rarity's skeptical expression...

SC. 4 - INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE THRONE ROOM - SOON AFTER

TWILIGHT stands with SPIKE facing RAINBOW DASH, FLUTTERSHY, and APPLEJACK. Rarity, Pinkie, and Gummy enter and join them. Spike holds a scroll in his claws.

20 ¹³² TWILIGHT SPARKLE ¹³⁴
Great, everypony's here! Now I don't have to wait any longer to tell you all the wonderful news.

Pinkie Pie's eyes widen. This could be it!

21 ¹³ TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Somepony special is coming to visit Ponyville! And I need your help getting everything ready.

22 EXCITED PONY ^{10A6} ^{11A6}
Wonderful!/Who is it?/When?

23 ¹³¹ ¹³² ^{133B} TWILIGHT SPARKLE ¹³⁴
It's--

24 ¹² ¹³ PINKIE PIE/TWILIGHT
Shining Armor and Princess Cadance!

Twilight is confused at how Pinkie knows this. She gives a suspicious glance and continues...

25 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Yes and they're coming--

26 ¹² ¹³ PINKIE PIE/TWILIGHT
Tomorrow!

27 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Yes on the--

Twilight holds back this time to see if Pinkie can guess.

28 ¹² ¹³ PINKIE PIE
Friendship Express rather than the Crystal Empire train so as not to cause too much of a scene when they skip town to come visit?!

29 ^{133B} TWILIGHT SPARKLE ¹³⁴
Yes.

30 ¹² ¹³ PINKIE PIE
Aaaaaand?

31 ^{133B} TWILIGHT SPARKLE ¹³⁴
And that's it.

Pinkie Pie deflates.

32 ¹² ¹³ PINKIE PIE
Oh.

33 ¹⁴ RAINBOW DASH
How did you know all that?

Pinkie's eyes dart around for an explanation, can't find one.

34 PINKIE PIE
(reaching)
Pinkie sense?

Twilight seems satisfied enough by this. The ponies are confused but brush it off as just a Pinkie thing.

35 RAINBOW DASH
So you said you needed our help with something?

36 ¹³³ ¹³⁴ ¹³⁵ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Follow me.

SC. 5 - INT. GUEST ROOM - A MOMENT LATER

Twilight leads the ponies and Spike into a large bedroom with a four-poster bed and ornate castle furniture. But instead of tapestries on the walls, there are some vintage posters of the Royal Guard, comic book characters, etc. Toys are scattered about on the floor. A train set.

37 ¹⁴ ¹⁵ ¹⁶ RAINBOW DASH
Sweet posters! Is that Smash Fortune?

Rainbow flies over to inspect the old poster, which features a blue pegasus wearing a Flash Gordon-esque costume.

38 ¹³⁵ ¹³⁶ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
It sure is. When Shining Armor said he wanted to come to the castle and visit, I started collecting things he liked when he was a colt as a surprise.

39 ¹⁵ ¹⁶ ¹⁷ PINKIE PIE
Surprise?

37A ¹⁷ ^{intake} Pinkie's eyes start to dart around. Her lips quiver. She is getting close to saying something... She finds a toy Royal Guard-type helmet and puts it on (note: only her eyes should peek out).

40 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I've been so excited that it's been
hard to keep it to myself.

41 PINKIE PIE
(through the helmet)
I have no idea what that's like.

Fluttershy bends down to look into an ANT FARM.

42 FLUTTERSHY
Aww, look at the cute little ant farm.

43 SPIKE
And check out all these old comic
books!

44 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Be careful, they're first editions.

~~Twilight tries to blow dust off of a comic, but ends up blowing
some fire. The comic lights on fire and he quickly puts it
out. Twilight doesn't notice.~~

45 PINKIE PIE
What's this?

Pinkie holds up a stuffed toy similar to Smarty Pants, but
its wearing a little helmet and shield. Twilight trots over,
and takes the toy in her hooves. She's nostalgic.

46 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
This is Brutus Force! Shining Armor
used to carry him around like his
baby.

Pinkie throws the toy up in the air, like it's the game of
"hot potato". Fluttershy catches it and snuggles it.

47 FLUTTERSHY
(cradling the toy)
Awww.

48 PINKIE PIE
(laughing nervously)
Yeah, really cute...

Rarity picks up one of the pillows on the bed. It has a
pattern of Royal Guard helmets and spears all over it (like
little boy's cartoon sheets).

49 ^{216 22 23} RARITY
It's a bit juvenile for castle decor,
but it is very sweet of you.

50 FLUTTERSHY
I'm sure Shining Armor will love it.

51 ^{135 136} TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Me too. But, there's a few more things
I'd like to add before he gets here
and I could really use a hoof
collecting them.

52 ^{216 236} APPLEJACK
Whatever you need, we'll help ya get
it, Sugarcube.

53 ^{6 6} ALL THE PONIES/SPIKE
Yep! Of Course! No problem.

54 ^{135 136} TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(beaming)
Thanks, everypony. I just can't wait
till they walk in and see everything!

Twilight lets out a squeal of delight.

55 ^{216 236} RAINBOW DASH
Totally understandable. Watching
somepony else be surprised with
something awesome is almost better
than being the one who's getting the
surprise!

SSA ^{27 28} The ponies all nod in agreement. Except Pinkie, who struggles
to keep a straight face. Her resolve is wavering due to all
this talk of surprises...

56 ^{56 25 26} PINKIE PIE
But... what if the surprise is
something so incredibly exciting that
a pony can't keep it in any longer and
she has to tell the pony who's
standing right next to her what it is
or she might explode?

57 ²³ FLUTTERSHY
I would say... no.

58 ²¹ ²³ ²⁴ RARITY

(agreeing)

The pony who ruins a surprise for
somepony else has to live with that
guilt... FOREVER!

~~Pinkie Pie laughs nervously~~, shifting from hoof-to-hoof. She
has to get out of there before she spills the beans.

59 ²³ PINKIE PIE ²⁹ Alt
Gotta bounce! Bye!

Pinkie takes out a mini trampoline, jumps onto it, and
launches herself out an open window on a pink hang glider.
The ponies exchange a confused look.

60 RAINBOW DASH
I know the bar is set pretty high...
but does anypony else think Pinkie Pie
was acting weirder than usual?

Twilight cocks her head to the side, considering this...

SC. 6 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - SOON AFTER

Pinkie Pie slams the door behind her and Gummy. She's
~~breathing heavily~~

61 ³¹ ³² PINKIE PIE
That was close! Too close. I almost
spilled the beans. Beans that would be
really hard to clean up.

She looks around the room cautiously. It's empty. She's safe
for now. She relaxes and starts to strategize.

62 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
I obviously can't be around my friends
right now... or anypony for that
matter.

~~Pinkie~~ trots over to a floor lamp, sits next to it. She ~~turns~~
~~her chair, thinking hard~~ Pinkie pulls the lamp cord. A light
bulb goes on and Pinkie smiles.

63 ³³ ³⁴ PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
That's it! If Shining Armor and
Cadance are coming tomorrow, then all
I have to do is to lock myself in my
room away from everypony until they
arrive. Then I won't ruin anything!

MR. CAKE enters from the kitchen.

64 31 (32) MR. CAKE
(relieved)
Oh, good. You're back.

65 PINKIE PIE
It is good.

66 MR. CAKE
Mrs. Cake needs my help but these deliveries can't wait. I can't thank you enough for agreeing to be my backup delivery pony, Pinkie! You're a real cake-saver.

67 6 (33) PINKIE PIE
(confused)
I did?

CUT TO:

SC. 7 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - FLASHBACK

Mr. Cake loading up his delivery wagon. Pinkie stands next to him happily stirring something.

68 34 (35) MR. CAKE
Maybe I should hire somepony to be my backup delivery pony.

69 PINKIE PIE
I'll do it!

70 MR. CAKE
Really?

71 PINKIE PIE
Sure! There's no possible way that I could ever have anything that might interfere with doing that task- like a gigantic, emotionally exhausting surprise that would make it super hard to be around other ponies.

72 MR. CAKE 37 (38)
Great! You're sure you won't change your mind?

73 (35) PINKIE PIE
(smiling)
No way. Cross my heart, hope to fly, stick a cupcake in my eye!

CUT BACK TO:

SC. 8 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - PRESENT

36 74 34 35 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Oh yeah. I Pinkie Pie Promised I'd do
it. And I never break a Pinkie Pie
Promise. Never!

75 MR. CAKE
(trotting away)
Thanks again.

~~Pinkie Pie blumps down~~ then brightens.

76 PINKIE PIE
(hopeful)
Maybe it'll be a quiet day and I can
just avoid everypony.

SC. 9 - EXT. PONYVILLE - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie Pie opens the front door of Sugar Cube corner and
peeks out to see there are lots of ponies walking past. A
much more busy day than usual.

39 43 17 PINKIE PIE
(nervous)
Or maybe not.

FADE OUT.

END ACT 1

ACT 2

FADE IN:

SC. 10 - EXT. PONYVILLE - DAY

Pinkie Pie pulls a Radio Flyer-style WAGON hitched to her.
It's stacked high with bakery boxes. Apple Bloom, Sweetie
Belle, and Scootaloo approach.

40 41 42 APPLE BLOOM
Hiya, Pinkie Pie!

79 SWEETIE BELLE
Heard any good gossip today?

80 157 158 159 SCOOTALOO
Yeah. We're bored. Please say you have
some interesting news!

Pinkie looks at the CMC's expectant faces.

81 ⁴⁰ ⁴¹ PINKIE PIE
Nope!

Pinkie rushes off and...

SLAM! She runs right into Fluttershy.

82 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Oof!

83 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, I'm sorry.

Pinkie jumps.

84 PINKIE PIE
Fluttershy! What a surprise...

The magic word. Pinkie's hoof flies to her mouth in shock.
This is dangerous territory.

85 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
I mean, not a surprise.

Pinkie Pie looks beyond Fluttershy for an escape from the situation.

86 FLUTTERSHY
You were in such a rush earlier!
Twilight wanted me to ask you if you
would bring some snacks to the castle
for Shining Armor and Cadance's visit.

87 PINKIE PIE
(distracted)
Definitely. Got it! Pinkie Promise.
Yeah.

88 ⁴⁰ ⁴⁴ ⁴⁵ FLUTTERSHY
You know, maybe some baby carrots...

Now she has Pinkie Pie's attention.

89 ⁴¹ PINKIE PIE
(laughing nervously)
What did you say?

90 FLUTTERSHY
(shrugging)
I guess they're Shining Armor's
favorite.

↓ ↓

91 ⁴⁰ ⁴¹ PINKIE PIE
Mine too! Baby carrots are like big
carrots but smaller, kinda like how
foals are tiny versions of their
parents but smaller and cuter and...

Pinkie Pie points her hoof at a BOOK in Fluttershy's hooves
to change the subject.

92 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Whatcha reading?!

93 ⁴³ FLUTTERSHY
Oh this. I'm bringing it to
Twilight's. It's a guide on "How to
Become the Best Ant--"

~~Fluttershy <SNEEZE>~~ Pinkie leans in, craning to hear the
next word. Fluttershy takes an extra long moment recovering
from the sneeze for dramatic effect.

94 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
...Farmer".

~~Pinkie says~~ ⁴¹ Fluttershy doesn't know.

95 PINKIE PIE
Gezundheit.

96 FLUTTERSHY
So do you want to help me by throwing
Shining Armor's new ants a tiny
welcome party? I know they love
picnics...

Pinkie whips out a set of binoculars and looks through them.

97 ⁴⁶ ⁴⁷ PINKIE PIE
(pointing)
Look! An albino squirrel!

Fluttershy turns around.

98 ⁴¹ FLUTTERSHY
Where? Is it Albert?

Pinkie uses the chance to dart off.

99 ⁴² ⁴³ PINKIE PIE
(wistful, to herself)
And I have some microscopic party hats
that those ants would have loved.

SC. 11 - EXT. DIFFERENT PART OF PONYVILLE - SOON AFTER

The stack of boxes on the wagon is slowly getting smaller as Pinkie delivers them. Pinkie sees Rainbow Dash and Applejack up ahead. They wave to her. Pinkie pretends she doesn't see them and turns off down another street. They exchange a suspicious look.

SC. 12 - EXT. ANOTHER PART OF PONYVILLE - SOON AFTER

Pinkie walks down a shadowy, deserted lane. It looks darker and more dramatic than the rest of town.

100 ^{47 48 51} PINKIE PIE ⁽⁵²⁾
 It didn't feel good ignoring my
 friends like that. Maybe I can tell
 just one little pony the surprise?

Pinkie stops and looks at her reflection in a WINDOW. A GHOST
 -VERSION of RARITY appears next to Pinkie.

101 ^{(24) - RL-print from line 58} GHOST REFLECTION RARITY
 (echoing)
 "The pony who ruins a surprise for
 somepony else has to live with that
 guilt... FOREVEEEER!" (note: this
 should be the same clip from Sc. and
 similar to the line in Ep.120 "Green
 Isn't Your Color")

102 ⁴⁸ PINKIE PIE
 You're right, spooky reflection of
 Rarity that I know is actually my own
 imagination! I can't tell anypony at
 all.

~~Pinkie sighs.~~

103 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
 Then they would tell Twilight and she
 wouldn't be surprised! And it would be
 all my fault!

Pinkie Pie whips out a race car style helmet and puts it on.

104 ⁴⁹ PINKIE PIE ⁽⁵⁰⁾ (CONT'D)
 It's time to kick this operation into
 hyper hoof. And avoid all ponies by
 any means necessary.

She flips down the visor.

SC. 13 - MONTAGE - EXT. CHEERILEE'S COTTAGE

Pinkie Pie puts a box of cakes on the doorstep, knocks, then jumps onto the roof (doorbell ditching). She watches from above as CHEERILEE opens the door, looks around and sees the box. She can't figure out who did it. Pinkie is satisfied.

SC. 14 - MONTAGE - EXT. A RESIDENTIAL STREET

Pinkie is riding a SCOOTER to toss the boxes (like newspapers on a paper route) at each house. SCOOTALOO stands scooterless nearby, looking around and scratching her head.

SC. 15 - MONTAGE - INT. CAROUSEL BOUTIQUE

Rarity sits at her sewing machine. A FISHING ROD with a box of cakes tied on the end enters in through the window and lowers onto to Rarity's table. She looks surprised.

SC. 16 - MONTAGE - EXT. SWIMMING HOLE

A filly's picnic/swimming birthday party is going on. A little boat with a birthday cake on it sails towards the kids. Underwater, Pinkie Pie smiles through her SCUBA gear. Mission accomplished.

SC. 17 - INT. PINKIE PIE'S BEDROOM - LATER

Pinkie collapses onto her bed, relieved.

105 ^{53 54 55 56} PINKIE PIE
Finally! I'm all aloney on my owny.

Gummy chews on a scroll.

106 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Wow, great idea. I'm starving too!

Pinkie Pie chomps down on an apple.

107 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
This apple is delicious. What are you having, Gummy?

She notices the scroll has something written on it, so she yanks it from him. Her face turns to an expression of panic.

108 ⁵⁸ PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Oh no! It's the list that Twilight helped me make yesterday so I wouldn't forget all of my Pinkie Promises today!

Pinkie inspects it closer. She jumps into the air in shock.

109 ⁵⁴ ⁵⁶ PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
And I have three more things to do.
Four if you count bringing those
snacks to Twilight's castle.

Pinkie marvels at herself.

110 ⁵⁹ ⁶⁰ PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
I've been getting liberal with those
Pinkie Promises lately.

SC. 18 - EXT. PONYVILLE SCHOOL PLAY YARD - SOON AFTER

Pinkie makes BALLOON ANIMALS for the colts and fillies.

111 ²¹⁶ ²¹⁷ SWEETIE BELLE
Ooo! I want a flamingo!

Pinkie quickly creates a pink FLAMINGO BALLOON.

112 ⁵⁴ ⁵⁶ APPLE BLOOM
I want a goldfish!

Pinkie whips up an GOLDFISH-SHAPED BALLOON.

113 ¹⁶¹ ¹⁶² ¹⁶³ SCOOTALOO
Surprise me!

Pinkie concentrates very hard, twisting and blowing the balloons. Finally, she reveals... a baby bottle?

114 SCOOTALOO (CONT'D)
Is that a baby bottle?

Pinkie Pie hadn't realized what she'd made.

115 ⁵⁴ ⁵⁶ PINKIE PIE ⁶⁰ ⁶¹
Aaah!
(they covering)
No! It's a...uh...puppy

116 ¹⁶¹ ¹⁶² ¹⁶³ ¹⁶⁴ SCOOTALOO *edit off end.*
Are you sure? Because it looks like a--

117 ⁵⁴ ⁵⁶ PINKIE PIE
Next!

Pinkie wipes her sweaty brow as Featherweight steps up to make his request.

124 125 126 127
 118 FEATHERWEIGHT
 A baby pony, please. Unless, of
 course that would be a royal pain.

Featherweight winks at Pinkie. She brightens. Could he be in on the secret?

54 56
 119 PINKIE PIE
 (suspicious)
 Interesting choice of words,
 Featherweight

120 124 125 127
 FEATHERWEIGHT
 Was it?

Now Pinkie's not so sure.

54 56 57
 121 PINKIE PIE
 I don't know. Was it?

Pinkie narrows her eyes at him.

Featherweight narrows his eyes at her, ~~then shrugs.~~

122 124 125 127 128
 FEATHERWEIGHT
 Maybe you'd better just make me a
 giraffe.

SC. 19 - INT. TOWN HALL - SOON AFTER

Pinkie pushes in a drawer on a file cabinet and wipes the dust off her hooves. MAYOR MARE stands next to her.

62 63
 123 MAYOR MARE
 Wow! Your friends weren't kidding when
 they said you had a great filing
 system, Pinkie. You're Ponyville's
 best kept secret!

124 PINKIE PIE
 No, I'm not.

The mayor fidgets and looks around to see if anypony is near.

125 MAYOR MARE
 (hushed)
 Speaking of secrets... Have you ever
 known somepony else's secret?

Pinkie eye's get large as Mayor Mare leans forward a little.

126 ⁶²63 PINKIE PIE
No..

127 MAYOR MARE
A surprise that was so big and
exciting that it was all you could
think about?

128 PINKIE PIE
Nope!

Pinkie zips out the door.

129 ⁶⁴MAYOR MARE
(lips quivering)
Me neither!

SC. 20 - EXT. FURNITURE STORE - RIGHT AFTER

Pinkie Pie stands next to a FURNITURE SALES PONY. She is putting the finishing touches on a BLOW-UP-DANCING-AIR-PONY (think car sales lot).

130 ⁶⁵66 FURNITURE SALES PONY
It's just what I wanted. Thanks
Pinkie.

131 PINKIE PIE
You're welcome!

132 FURNITURE SALES PONY
By the way, could you help spread the
word about the big crib sale I'm
having?

The Furniture Sales Pony points to a poster in the window with a picture of a baby crib and a crown on it. Pinkie's face contorts in horror.

133 PINKIE PIE
(reading from the sign)
"Treat your foal like royalty"?!

134 FURNITURE SALES PONY
Pretty good slogan, huh? I came up
with it all by myself!

Pinkie covers her mouth in shock at herself for speaking and runs away. The salespony looks offended.

135 ⁶⁷FURNITURE SALES PONY
(CONT'D)
Well, I thought it was clever.

SC. 21 - INT. THRONE ROOM - LATER

Pinkie enters carrying multiple trays of crudite, including the baby carrots, etc. The other ponies are all already there, buzzing around (placing vases of flowers on the tables, etc).

136 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Those look so yummy, Pinkie! Let me help you.

Twilight uses her magic to lift the trays and place them on a table. She starts to place some silver platter covers on top of them.

137 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
But we better cover them up so they don't get spoiled.

138 PINKIE PIE
Why would they get spoiled? We're all going to eat them super soon.

139 APPLEJACK
Oh didn't anypony tell ya? Shinin' Armor and Cadance are held up. They might not arrive until Saturday.

140 PINKIE PIE
(shooting up into the air)
WHAT?!

~~Pinkie Pie starts hyperventilating, pacing back and forth.~~

141 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
You mean... I have... to wait... another whole day?! I don't know if I can...

Pinkie's face starts to sweat profusely. She tries to cover her mouth. The ponies all look at one another. What's happening to Pinkie Pie?

142 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(concerned)
Pinkie Pie, do you have something you need to say? You seem like you're keeping something in.

Pinkie covers her mouth with her hoof to stop herself from speaking. She freezes in place, as if she knows if she makes any sudden movements, she will explode and tell the secret.

143 ⁶⁸ ⁶⁹ APPLEJACK
Well go on then, Sugarcube.

Applejack takes a step closer to her.

144 FLUTTERSHY
We're here to listen.

Fluttershy starts to close in on Pinkie... Now all of the ponies and Spike surround her. Pinkie is sweating bullets.

145 RARITY
We're not going to judge you, darling.

146 SPIKE
You'll feel so much better once you
get it off your chest!

⁷⁵ ⁷⁷ ¹⁴⁴ Pinkie Pie starts breathing hard. She takes out a balloon and
blows it up (as if it were a paper lunch bag). She ties the
balloon and takes out another to do the same thing.

⁷⁰ 147 RAINBOW DASH
Come on. Whatever it is. You can tell
us. We're best friends!

CUT TO:

PINKIE'S POV/IMAGINATION:

All of the other ponies start to look huge and imposing as
they get closer. Their faces are ~~amused/angry/impatient~~.

⁷¹ ¹³⁸ ¹³⁹ 148 ⁶ ALL THE PONIES/SPIKE
TOGETHER
(echoing)
...Friends, friends, friends. Tell,
tell, tell.

⁷⁶ ^{148A} Pinkie cowers, looking to each of their faces bearing down on
her. The ponies all lean towards Pinkie Pie in anticipation.

ON PINKIE PIE who is practically hyper-ventilating.

149 ⁷² ⁷³ ⁷⁴ PINKIE PIE
OKAY! OKAY! You win!

Pinkie takes a deep breath and blurts out...

150 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
SHINING ARMOR AND CADANCE ARE GOING TO
HAVE--

SHINING ARMOR and PRINCESS CADANCE burst into the room.

151 SHINING ARMOR
... an awesome weekend with the best
little sister in all of Equestria!!

Relieved, Pinkie Pie collapses in a heap.

FADE OUT.

END ACT 2

ACT 3

FADE IN:

SC. 22 - INT. THRONE ROOM - SOON AFTER

Twilight runs to her brother and embraces him. Pinkie Pie looks more relaxed now, relieved that she didn't actually say the surprise out loud.

152 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Shining Armor! Cadance! You're early!
I thought something had come up and
you weren't going to make it until
Saturday!

153 PRINCESS CADANCE
So did we. Turned out we weren't
needed in Maretonia until next week.
And the summit we were supposed to
attend today had to be rescheduled so
we got here even sooner than planned.

154 SHINING ARMOR
Surprise!

155 CADANCE
Hi everyone. It's wonderful to see
you all again.

156 RAINBOW/AJ/FLUTTERSHY/RARITY
You too! Welcome! Great to see you!

157 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I'm so glad you're here. I have a big
surprise for you!

158 ⁸⁰ ⁸² SHINING ARMOR
(smirking)
Oh yeah?

Twilight nods excitedly. She's brimming with excitement.
Twilight starts chatting to Cadance as she leads the group
out. Shining Armor hangs back and walks next to Pinkie Pie.

159 ⁸¹ ⁸² SHINING ARMOR (CONT'D)
Lucky we came in when we did, huh?

Pinkie Pie looks down sheepishly.

160 SHINING ARMOR (CONT'D)
Hey! I'm impressed you've been able to
keep our secret this long.
(then)
Guessing you saw the scroll we sent to
Mr. and Mrs. Cake.

161 ⁸² ⁸³ PINKIE PIE
So you're gonna tell Twilight now?!

162 ⁸² SHINING ARMOR
You're going to have to wait just a
little bit longer. We have something
special planned. It'll be worth it, I
promise.

Shining Armor trots up to the front of the group.

163 ⁸⁸ ⁸⁹ PINKIE PIE
(narrowing her eyes)
It'd better be...

SC. 23 - EXT. PONYVILLE - THE NEXT DAY

Twilight trots next to Applejack, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash,
Rarity, Spike and Pinkie Pie. Pinkie looks like she hasn't
slept a wink.

164 ⁸⁹ ⁹⁰ APPLEJACK
So do ya think Shining Armor liked his
surprise?

165 ¹⁴¹ ¹⁴³ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Didn't you see him? He couldn't stop
raving about it!

166 ⁸⁹ ⁹⁰ RAINBOW DASH
(grumpy)
Where did Shining Armor and Cadance
say they'd meet us? I'm starving.

Rainbow Dash's tummy visibly RUMBLES.

167 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
In the town square. I wish they'd waited to walk over with us, but they said they had something to take care of first.

168 PINKIE PIE
(mumbling)
They're going to have a lot more to take care of soon.

169 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What?

170 PINKIE PIE
Nothing!

SC. 24 - PONYVILLE TOWN SQUARE - CONTINUOUS

No sign of Shining Armor or Cadance anywhere. In fact, it's relatively empty. Twilight looks puzzled.

171 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That's odd. Usually they're quite punctual.

172 RAINBOW DASH
Ughhh, I need a hayburger in my belly RIGHT. NOW.

A RANDOM PONY trots up, bows to Twilight, and passes her a tiny scroll.

173 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(unfurling it)
What's this?

Twilight's expression changes to one of excitement.

174 RARITY
What does it say?

175 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
A scavenger hunt! Shining Armor used to set these up for me when I was a filly. At the end, there was always a big prize like a new book, or several new books, or--

Pinkie Pie snatches the scroll away to move things along.

176 ⁸⁹ 90 PINKIE PIE
We get the picture! You like books!

177 ⁹³ APPLEJACK
So what's the first clue?

178 ⁹¹ RAINBOW DASH ⁹²
I hope it's something about eating lunch.

179 PINKIE PIE
"You've got a scroll, you're on a roll. Why don't you take a peek, where young ones spend their week? A piece of paper will continue this caper."

Twilight starts pacing back and forth, trying to riddle it out in her head.

180 ¹⁴² ¹⁴³ ¹⁴⁴ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I've got it!

Twilight takes off and the other ponies follow.

SC. 25 - EXT. PONYVILLE SCHOOL FRONT YARD - CONT.

The ponies and Spike all stand in a row staring at the school building. They tilt their heads to the side, puzzled.

181 ⁹⁴ ⁹⁵ APPLEJACK
I'm not quite followin'...

182 ¹⁴² ¹⁴³ ¹⁴⁴ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
"Where the young ones spend their week!" It's the Ponyville Schoolhouse!

183 ⁹⁴ ⁹⁵ PINKIE PIE
(antsy)
Good enough for me! Now where's the next clue?

Pinkie bounces around and starts looking under bushes, rocks, etc. Featherweight trots up wearing a cap, waistcoat and britches. He's holding a stack of newspapers.

184 ^{129 ABC} FEATHERWEIGHT ¹³⁰ A17
(like an old-timey newsie)
EXTRA! EXTRA! Get your Ponyville News!
Read it in the papes!

Twilight brightens.

145 (147)
185 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
"A piece of paper, will continue this
caper". It's in the Foal Free Press!

Twilight tosses Featherweight a few bits. He passes her a paper, takes off his cap and does a little bow. Pinkie rushes over. The ponies all lean over Twilight's shoulder as they scan the page for the next clue.

94 95 96
186 RARITY
Look at that dress Mayor Mare is
wearing in the social report. Why,
it's stunning!

95
187 APPLEJACK
(raising an eyebrow)
Didn't you make that?

188 RARITY
Yes. What's your point?

97 98
189 PINKIE PIE
FOCUS, EVERYPONY!

Pinkie Pie pushes them all out of the way and grabs the newspaper to get a better look.

145 (147)
190 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You know, there's really no time limit
on these scavenger hunts, Pinkie.

94 95 97
191 PINKIE PIE
(pointing to a part of the
paper)
AHA! There!

145 (147)
192 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(reading)
"Though this hall is rather small, in
it you'll find, files of all kinds.
Take a look on the back, of the birth
certificate of Applejack!"

94 95
193 APPLEJACK
I don't like where this is goin'.

194 RAINBOW DASH
Are we sure this isn't just Zecora
playing a prank on us?

Twilight takes off once more leading them all to...

SC. 26 - EXT. PONYVILLE TOWN HALL - A MOMENT LATER

Mayor Mare stands outside and points the way like an air traffic controller. The ponies and Spike file inside the building.

Pinkie Pie runs back to the Mayor and stares her down, narrowing her eyes and crossing her arms. ~~Pinkie clears her throat.~~

195 ⁹⁹ ¹⁰⁰ MAYOR MARE
(bursting with excitement)
Baby! A ROYAL BAA---

Pinkie quickly covers her mouth with her hoof and gives her the stink eye.

SC. 27 - INT. PONYVILLE TOWN HALL - SOON AFTER

The ponies scatter, looking for the birth certificate archives.

196 ¹⁴⁵ ¹⁴⁷ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Does anypony know where the birth certificates are kept?

Pinkie Pie leaps in the room.

197 ⁹⁹ ¹⁰⁰ PINKIE PIE
Ooo! I do! I do! Go down that hall, then you take a left, and then a right, then another right, then a slight left, then it's the third door from the right.

198 FLUTTERSHY
(impressed)
Wow, Pinkie. I never knew you knew so much about Town Hall.

Twilight and the gang take off down the hall.

199 PINKIE PIE
(calling after them)
There's a lot of things I know... that you don't know I knooooow!!

Pinkie runs after them.

SC. 28 - INT. ANOTHER ROOM IN TOWN HALL - SOON AFTER

The ponies are all gathered around Twilight, who levitates what must be AJ's birth certificate in front of her.

200 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(reading)
"This next place is where, you can buy
a table or chair. Or some comfy beds,
to rest little heads."

The ponies all scratch their heads thoughtfully.

201 PINKIE PIE
Really?! None of you?

SC. 29 - EXT. FURNITURE STORE - A MOMENT LATER

Pinkie Pie is squirming around.

202 PINKIE PIE
It's obviously the furniture store! Go
in, go in, go in!

203 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I don't know...

204 PINKIE PIE
(exasperated)
AHHHH! Fine.

Pinkie Pie darts into the shop and back out again super fast.
She's holding a clue in her hoof. Twilight's jaw drops.

205 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
(shrugging, cocky)
It was a under a crib.

206 RAINBOW DASH
You're scary good at this, Pinkie Pie.

207 PINKIE PIE
(reading from the clue)
"It seems we've saved the best for
last, we hope that you have had a
blast. Now it's time to take a break,
where you can get a slice of cake!"

208 ALL THE PONIES/SPIKE
Sugarcube Corner!!

209 PINKIE PIE
(giggling)
That was an easy one.

105AB 106 107ABC - options

SC. 30 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - A FEW MOMENTS LATER

The whole shop is decorated in light pink, light yellow, and light blue balloons. Shining Armor and Cadance stand in front of a large cake, hiding it from view. Mrs. Cake and Mr. Cake drink punch and chat with the royals, while POUND CAKE and PUMPKIN CAKE play nearby.

ANGLE ON the shop door creaking open. SHOP BELLS CLANGING.

Shining Armor and Cadance look at each other, a bundle of nerves.

Twilight, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash, Rarity, Applejack, Spike and Pinkie Pie enter. Pinkie looks around in awe at all the balloons.

210 ¹⁰⁸ ¹⁰⁹ SHINING ARMOR
Twily! Did you like the scavenger hunt?

211 ¹⁵⁰ ¹⁵¹ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
It was perfect. Just like old times, except even better because this time I got to share it with my best friends.

Shining Armor smiles.

212 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
(looking around)
There's just one thing missing... isn't there?

213 ¹⁰⁸ ¹⁰⁹ SHINING ARMOR
What's that?

214 ¹⁵⁰ ¹⁵¹ ¹⁵² ¹⁵³ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(nudging him)
The book prize at the end!

215 ¹⁰⁸ ¹⁰⁹ SHINING ARMOR
(laughing)
There's still a prize. But it's a little different this time...

216 ¹⁵⁰ ¹⁵¹ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I don't understand...

This is killing Pinkie Pie. She SQUEEZES the balloon even tighter, trying herself not to burst.

217 ¹⁰⁸ ¹⁰⁹ CADANCE
All the places we sent you today had
something in common.

218 ¹⁵⁰ ¹⁵¹ TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(thinking)
First we went to the schoolhouse...

Pinkie Pie SQUEEZES the balloon even tighter as Twilight
paces in front of her thinking things through.

219 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
...and then we read the Foal Free
Press.

Pinkie Pie can hardly stand it. Her entire body is tense.
The balloon she's squeezing is about to pop.

220 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
After that we found Applejack's birth
certificate...

Pinkie Pie squeezes the balloon even tighter. This is taking
way too long.

221 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
...and then the last clue was under a
crib...

Pinkie Pie's sweating bullets, she can't take much more.

222 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
(looking at the whiteboard)
School, foal, birth certificate, and
crib...

Twilight <GASPS>. Shining Armor and Cadance look at each
other, nervous.

223 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Can it be? Are you two...

Shining Armor and Cadance nod at each other and step aside to
reveal the cake. It's all pink, blue, and yellow and is
decorated with little strollers and rattles, etc.

224 ¹⁰⁸ ¹⁰⁹ ¹¹⁰ ¹¹¹ ¹¹² ¹¹³ ¹¹⁴ SHINING ARMOR/CADANCE
WE'RE HAVING A BABY!!!

Pinkie Pie's balloon pops and Pinkie Pie shoots into the air
as if she's been blasted by a rocket booster in the floor.
Confetti explodes everywhere and foal-shaped balloons fall
from the ceiling like a New Year's Eve party.

115
224A

225 ¹¹⁶ ¹¹⁷ PINKIE PIE
A baby, Twilight!! It's a baby!!
AHHHHH! I did it!

Everyone watches as she floats gently down like a flying squirrel soaring down from a redwood tree. She softly lands on her hooves. She smiles and breathes the biggest sigh of relief, sinking to the ground. She pulls out a tiny pennant flag with her Cutie Mark on it and waves it lazily.

226 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Go Pinkie.

227 ^{1538C} ^{154AB} TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You mean... I'm going to be an Aunt?

pronunciation of "aunt" options

Twilight is frozen in place. Everypony holds their breath for her reaction. Finally...

228 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
(excited)
That's the best prize, ever!

~~Shining Armor and Cadance relax and laugh. Everypony in the room erupts in a tizzy of excitement. Twilight rushes towards her brother and sister-in-law and hugs them.~~

229 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
I love you guys. And I can't wait to meet your new foal!

230 ¹¹⁶ ¹¹⁷ SHINING ARMOR
Neither can we.

^{118ABC} ^{119AB}

The rest of the mane six rush over to congratulate the couple.

231 ¹¹⁷ ¹¹⁶ PONY WALLA
Us too!/I can't believe it!/A foal!/Congratulations!/This is the best!

¹⁵⁵ ¹⁵⁶ *T.S. options.*

A few moments later, Cadance trots over to Pinkie Pie. The two of them stand side-by-side and watch ~~Shining Armor and Twilight~~ ~~laugh and chat excitedly about the new baby.~~

232 CADANCE
You did it, Pinkie Pie! You kept it a surprise. Thank you. Was it much trouble?

Pinkie Pie admires how happy Twilight looks.

¹²²
¹²³
228
228A

^{5A}
¹²⁶ ¹²¹
231A

233 ¹¹⁶ 117 PINKIE PIE
(casual)
Piece of cake.

Pinkie Pie and Cadance each bite into a piece of cake and giggle.

They smile at each other with their mouths super full and we...

FADE OUT.

THE END.