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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 and PINKIE PIE are hard at work. Mrs. Cake reads from a SCROLL, while 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)
I am soooo close to breaking my *
personal cupcake icing record! I *
deserve a pat on the back.

Pinkie Pie reaches around to her back and accidentally squirts icing all over herself. Mrs. Cake gasps (re: the info on the scroll, not Pinkie).

3 MRS. CAKE
My goodness!

4 PINKIE PIE
Don't worry, Mrs. Cake! I would never
waste perfectly good frosting.
Especially in "**Gummy Green**". *

Pinkie whips out a special SPATULA that resembles a back scratcher. She scrapes the off the icing and gobbles it up.

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

6 PINKIE PIE
Sheesh, just put it on my **frosting** *
tab.

Pinkie gestures to a CHART on the wall with a scribbled picture of herself guzzling frosting. There are several tallies beneath it.

7 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.

8 PINKIE PIE
Okie-dokie-lokie. *

9 MRS. CAKE
(scurrying off)
Thanks, dear. Be back in a few! *

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

10 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.

11 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.

12 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.

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

She bounces around the room.

14 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.

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

She gulps.

16 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.

17 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 just sucking on a PACIFIER.

18 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.

19 RARITY
What's all this about a baby?

The two keep walking towards the castle.

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

21 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

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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.

22 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
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!

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

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24 EXCITED PONY WALLA
Wonderful!/Who is it?/When?

25 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
It's--

26 PINKIE PIE/TWILIGHT
Shining Armor and Princess Cadance!

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

27 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Yes and they're coming--

28 PINKIE PIE/TWILIGHT
Tomorrow!

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29 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Yes on the--

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

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30 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?!

31 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Yes.

32 PINKIE PIE
Aaaaaand?

33 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
And that's it.

Pinkie Pie deflates. *

34 PINKIE PIE
Oh.

35 RAINBOW DASH
How did you know all that?

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

36 PINKIE PIE
Lucky guess? *

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

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

38 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.

39 RAINBOW DASH
Sweet posters! An original Smash Fortune? *

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

40 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Yup. "Defender of Equestria"! *

41 FLUTTERSHY
Is that an ant farm?

Fluttershy picks up the little glass rectangle. It's empty, but she looks excited. *

42 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Minus the ants. *One of Shining Armor's
weirder interests I must say...* *
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43 SPIKE
Check out all these old comic books!

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

Spike 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.* *
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47 FLUTTERSHY
(cradling the toy) *
Awww.

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

49 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
When *Shining Armor* said he wanted to
come to the castle and visit, I
started collecting *things he liked* *
when was a colt as a surprise. *

50 PINKIE PIE
Surprise?

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

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

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). *

53 RARITY
 It's a bit juvenile for castle decor,
 but it is very sweet of you.

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

55 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. *

56 APPLEJACK
 Whatever you need, we'll help ya get
 it, Sugarcube. *

57 ALL THE PONIES/SPIKE
 Yep!/Of Course!/No problem. *

58 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
 (beaming)
 Thanks, everypony. I just can't wait
 till they walk in and see everything! *

Twilight lets out a squeal of delight. *

59 RAINBOW DASH
 Totally understandable. Watching
 somepony else be surprised with
 something awesome is almost better
 than being the one who's getting the
 surprise! *

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...

60 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? *

61 FLUTTERSHY
I would say... no.

62 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.

63 PINKIE PIE
Gotta bounce! Bye!

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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.

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

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

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SC. 6 - INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - SOON AFTER

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

65 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.

66 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
I obviously can't be around my friends
right now... or anypony for that
matter.
(then, worried)
What if I told somepony the surprise
and then that pony told Twilight? That
would be just as bad as telling her
myself!

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

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67 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.

68 MR. CAKE
(relieved)
Oh, good. You're back.

69 PINKIE PIE
It is good.

70 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.

71 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.

72 MR. CAKE
Maybe I should hire somepony to be my
backup delivery pony.

73 PINKIE PIE
I'll do it!

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74 MR. CAKE
Really?

75 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.

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76 MR. CAKE *
Great! You're sure you won't change *
your mind? *

77 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

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

79 MR. CAKE *
(trotting away) *
Thanks again. *

Pinkie Pie slumps down, then brightens. *

80 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. *

81 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. Gummy's on top. *

82 PINKIE PIE
Thanks for coming with me, Gummy. If
you ever see me get tempted to reveal
the surprise, it's your job to
interrupt me, okay?

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Just then, Apple Bloom, Sweetie Belle, and Scootaloo
approach.

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83 APPLE BLOOM
Hiya, Pinkie Pie!

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84 SWEETIE BELLE
Heard any good gossip today?

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85 SCOOTALOO
Yeah. We're bored. Please say you have
some interesting news!

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Pinkie looks at the CMC's expectant faces. Suddenly, Gummy
chomps onto her nose.

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86 PINKIE PIE
(pinched nose)
Gotta go!

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Pinkie rushes off.

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87 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
(to Gummy through her pinched
nose)
That was perfect--

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SLAM! SHE runs right into Fluttershy. Gummy goes flying.

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88 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Oof!

89 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, I'm sorry.

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Pinkie jumps.

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90 PINKIE PIE
Fluttershy! What a surprise...

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

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

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92 FLUTTERSHY
Well, it is always nice to see you,
Pinkie. *

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

93 PINKIE PIE
(distracted)
You too. *

94 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. *

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

96 FLUTTERSHY
You know, maybe some baby carrots... *

Now she has Pinkie Pie's attention. *

97 PINKIE PIE
(laughing nervously)
What did you say?

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

99 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. *

100 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Whatcha reading?! *

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

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

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

Pinkie sighs. Fluttershy doesn't know.

103 PINKIE PIE
Gezundheit.

104 FLUTTERSHY
So do you want to help me by throwing
the new farm ants a tiny welcome
party? I know they love picnics...

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

105 PINKIE PIE
(pointing)
Look! An albino squirrel!

Fluttershy turns around.

106 FLUTTERSHY
Where? Is it Albert?

Pinkie uses the chance to dart off.

107 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.

108 PINKIE PIE
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.

109 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")

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

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Pinkie sighs.

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

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

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

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She flips down the visor.

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

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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

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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

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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

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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

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Pinkie collapses onto her bed, *relieved*.

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113 PINKIE PIE
Finally! I'm all aloney on my owny.

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Gummy chews on a scroll.

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

Pinkie Pie chomps down on an apple.

115 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.

116 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!

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

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

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Pinkie marvels at herself.

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

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

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Pinkie makes BALLOON ANIMALS for the colts and fillies.

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119 SWEETIE BELLE
Ooo! I want a flamingo!

Pinkie quickly creates a pink FLAMINGO BALLOON.

120 APPLE BLOOM
I want whatever you think my Cutie
Mark might be!

Pinkie whips up an APPLE-SHAPED BALLOON. Apple Bloom looks disappointed.

121 DIAMOND TIARA
(flipping her mane)
I want the best one you've ever made.

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

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122 DIAMOND TIARA (CONT'D)
(annoyed)
Um, you made a square. What's up with
that?

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*

Pinkie Pie smiles, gritting her teeth.

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123 PINKIE PIE
No silly, it's a present. With a
surprise inside! And surprises... are
the best!

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124 DIAMOND TIARA
The real surprise is how lame this
turned out to be. Let's go.

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Diamond Tiara walks away and SILVER SPOON follows. Pinkie
pops the balloon.

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125 FEATHERWEIGHT
If you ask me, she is a big baby. I
think surprises are the best.

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Featherweight winks at Pinkie.

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126 PINKIE PIE
Did you just say that baby surprises
are the biggest?!

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127 FEATHERWEIGHT
What?

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Pinkie narrows her eyes at him and backs away slowly.

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128 PINKIE PIE
Nothing...

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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.

129 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!

130 PINKIE PIE
No, I'm not.

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

131 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.

132 PINKIE PIE
No...

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

Mayor Mare leans in even more.

134 PINKIE PIE
Nope. No way!

135 MAYOR MARE
A wonderful, juicy tidbit of news so
thrilling that you invited a pony over
to town hall just so you could confide
in them?!

Mayor Mare is almost touching noses with Pinkie Pie.

136 PINKIE PIE
ABSOLUTELY NOT!

Pinkie zips out the door.

137 MAYOR MARE
(lips quivering)
Me neither!

SC. 20 - EXT. FURNITURE STORE - RIGHT AFTER

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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).

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

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139 PINKIE PIE
You're welcome!

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140 FURNITURE SALES PONY
Could you help spread the word about the big crib sale I'm having?

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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.

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

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

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

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

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***SC. 21 - INT. THRONE ROOM - LATER**

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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).

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

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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.

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

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

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

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

Pinkie Pie starts hyperventilating, pacing back and forth. *

149 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?

150 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(concerned)
Pinkie Pie, do you have something you
need to say? *

Pinkie starts doing an elaborate dance in a small circle, but
doesn't respond. She's focused.

151 SPIKE
Uh, what are you doing?

152 PINKIE PIE
I'm dancing around the subject!

Twilight looks to her friends in concern. They echo the same
sentiment. *

153 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Pinkie Pie, 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. *

154 APPLEJACK
Well go on then, Sugarcube.

Applejack takes a step closer to her. *

155 FLUTTERSHY
We're here to listen.

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

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

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

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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.

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158 RAINBOW DASH
Come on. We're best friends! We tell
each other things!

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CUT TO:

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PINKIE'S POV/IMAGINATION:

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

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159 ALL THE PONIES/SPIKE
TOGETHER
(echoing)
...Friends, friends, friends. Tell,
tell, tell.

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Pinkie cowers, looking to each of their faces bearing down on her. The ponies all lean towards Pinkie Pie in anticipation.

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ON PINKIE PIE who is practically hyper-ventilating.

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160 PINKIE PIE
OKAY! OKAY! You win!

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Pinkie takes a deep breath and blurts out...

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

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SHINING ARMOR and PRINCESS CADANCE burst into the room.

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

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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. *

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

164 PRINCESS CADANCE
So did we. But then it turned out we
could get here even sooner instead. *

165 SHINING ARMOR
Surprise!! *

Pinkie whimpers. *

166 CADANCE
Hi everypony. It's wonderful to see
you all again.

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

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

169 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. *

170 SHINING ARMOR (CONT'D)
Lucky we got here when we did, huh? *

Pinkie Pie looks down sheepishly. *

171 SHINING ARMOR (CONT'D) *

Hey! I'm impressed you've been able to *

keep our secret this long. *

(then) *

Must've seen the scroll we sent to Mr. *

and Mrs. Cake, huh? *

172 PINKIE PIE *

So you're gonna tell Twilight now?!

173 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. *

174 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (O.S.)

Shining Armor! Hurry up!

175 SHINING ARMOR

Coming!

Shining Armor trots up to the front of the group.

176 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.

177 APPLEJACK

So do ya think Shining Armor liked his surprise?

178 TWILIGHT SPARKLE

Didn't you see him? He couldn't stop raving about it! That ant farm was a real hit, too. Thanks, Fluttershy.

179 FLUTTERSHY

(proud)

Farming ants is really quite fulfilling. I'll have to ask him over lunch if he wants to exchange tips. *

180 RAINBOW DASH

(grumpy)

Where did Shining Armor and Cadance say they'd meet us? I'm starving.

Rainbow Dash's tummy visibly RUMBLES.

181 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.

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

183 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What?

184 PINKIE PIE
Nothing!

SC. 24 - PONYVILLE TOWN SQUARE - CONTINUOUS

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

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

186 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.

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

Twilight's expression changes to one of excitement.

188 RARITY
What does it say?

189 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.

190 PINKIE PIE
We get the picture! You like books!

191 APPLEJACK
So what's the first clue?

192 RAINBOW DASH
I hope it's something about eating lunch.

193 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."

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194 RAINBOW DASH
(sarcastic)
Wow, he's really got a way with words.

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

195 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Did he take poetry in school?

196 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That's it!

Twilight takes off and the other ponies follow.

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

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

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197 APPLEJACK
I'm not quite followin'...

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198 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
"Where the young ones spend their week!" It's the Ponyville Schoolhouse!

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199 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.

200 FEATHERWEIGHT
(shouting like an old-timey
newsie)
EXTRA! EXTRA! Get your Ponyville News!
Read it in the papes!

Twilight brightens.

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201 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
"A piece of paper, will continue this
caper". It's in the Foal Free Press,
you guys!

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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.

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

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

204 RARITY
Yes. What's your point?

205 PINKIE PIE
FOCUS, EVERYPONY!

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

206 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You know, there's really no time limit
on these scavenger hunts, Pinkie.

207 RAINBOW DASH
Except my stomach...

208 PINKIE PIE
(pointing to a part of the
paper)
AHA! There!

209 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!"

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210 APPLEJACK
I don't like where this is goin'.

211 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.

212 MAYOR MARE
(bursting with excitement)
Baby! A ROYAL BAAABY!

The Mayor covers her mouth in shock.

213 PINKIE PIE
(nodding)
AHA! That's what I thought. Now zip it
or the files get it!

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

The ponies scatter, looking for the birth certificate archives.

214 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Does anypony know where the birth
certificates are kept?

Pinkie Pie leaps in the room.

215 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.

216 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(impressed)
Wow, Pinkie. I never knew you knew so
much about Town Hall.

Twilight and the gang take off down the hall.

217 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 is holding *

Applejack's birth certificate. It has a picture of the foal *

version of AJ on it. *

218 TWILIGHT SPARKLE *

(giggling) *

Aww, Applejack look how cute you were! *

219 RARITY *

How adorable! Those little cheeks! *

220 APPLEJACK *

(annoyed) *

Give that to me. *

Applejack snatches the paper and flips it over. *

221 APPLEJACK (CONT'D) *

(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. *

222 PINKIE PIE *

Really?! None of you? *

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

Pinkie Pie is squirming around.

223 PINKIE PIE *

It's obviously the furniture store! Go *

in, go in, go in!

224 TWILIGHT SPARKLE *

I don't know...

225 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.

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

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

228 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!"

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229 ALL THE PONIES/SPIKE
 Sugarcube Corner!!

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

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

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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.

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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.

231 SHINING ARMOR
 Twily! Did you like the scavenger
 hunt?

232 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.

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

234 SHINING ARMOR
What's that?

235 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(nudging him)
The book prize at the end! *

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

Pinkie Pie's eyes and smile are huge. She's squeezing a
balloon for support.

237 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I don't understand... *

Pinkie Pie pops the balloon in disappointment. *

238 CADANCE
All the places we sent you today had
something in common. *

239 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(thinking)
First we went to the schoolhouse... *

Pinkie Pie takes out a whiteboard like she's an NYPD
detective connecting the dots in a case. She draws a simple
schoolhouse. *

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

Pinkie excitedly scribbles a baby pony, using pound cake as a
model. *

241 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
After that we found Applejack's birth
certificate... and then the last clue
was under a crib... *

Pinkie Pie scribbles a foal AJ face and then a crib. She then
pulls out an hourglass and watches it as she taps her hoof. *

242 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
(looking at the whiteboard)
So: school, foal, birth certificate,
and crib... *

Twilight gasps. Shining Armor and Cadance look at each other,
nervous. *

243 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. *

244 SHINING ARMOR/CADANCE

WE'RE HAVING A FOAL!!!

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. *

245 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. *

246 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D) *

Go Pinkie. *

247 TWILIGHT SPARKLE

You mean... I'm going to be an Aunt? *

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

248 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. *

249 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)

I love you guys. And I can't wait to meet your new foal!

250 SHINING ARMOR *

Neither can we. *

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

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

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.

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

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Pinkie Pie admires how happy Twilight looks.

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253 PINKIE PIE
(casual)
Piece of cake.

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

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

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FADE OUT.

THE END.