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"Discord's +1"

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TEASER

SC 1. EXT. FLUTTERSHY'S COTTAGE - DAY

A glorious day. Sun shines and birds chirp. We hear the soft sounds of FLUTTERSHY giggling coming from inside.

1 FLUTTERSHY (O.S.)
Oh my! It's too funny! I can't stop
laughing long enough to pour the
tea!

SC 2. INT. FLUTTERSHY'S COTTAGE - CONT.

And we see the delicate, elegant tea she has set up for...a girlfriend? A visiting relative? Not quite.

2 DISCORD
But that's not all! When I went to
look for them again they were on
the ceiling!

Fluttershy giggles again (her version of riotous laughter).

3 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, Discord, I've never known
anypony as funny as you. You should
do stand up comedy.

4 DISCORD
You think so? I AM rather funny,
aren't I?

5 FLUTTERSHY
I love that story about the time
you tried to train your right paw
to fetch your left leg!

6 DISCORD
(almost giggling)
Oh now don't breathe a word of that
to anypony! That's something I
would only tell YOU!

7 FLUTTERSHY
I can't wait for you to meet my
friend Tree Hugger. She's going to
love you, too.

Anger flashes through Discord's face, but he covers it quickly.

8 DISCORD
What's this, *another* friend? You've already got me and those five lesser friends, aren't you spreading yourself a bit thin?

9 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, I just know you'll love her. I met her on a trip to see the Breezies. She's a member of the Equestrian Society for the Preservation of Rare Creatures.

10 DISCORD
Mmm.

He sips his tea with distaste.

11 FLUTTERSHY
We're all going to have so much fun together at the Grand Galloping Gala--

He perks up.

12 DISCORD
I was wondering when you were going to ask me! I'd love to!

Fluttershy's eyes go wide.

13 FLUTTERSHY
Oh. Oh no. I'm afraid I've already asked Tree Hugger--

14 DISCORD
Tree Hugger, ah ha ha!

He quickly stands, bumping the table a bit, and moves about, putting on a jacket and hat that he materializes out of the air.

15 FLUTTERSHY
I'm sorry, Discord, I assumed you'd have your own ticket. Were you not invited?

16 DISCORD
Who, me? Not recently, but it probably got lost in the mail. No BIGGIE as the foals say. Well, gotta go!

17 FLUTTERSHY
But we haven't had any petit fours.

18 DISCORD
(snapping)
It's PUH-TEET fours!
(catching himself)
I mean, see you next time!

He heads for the door and we see a look of simmering anger on his face. Before he reaches the door, he disappears.

END TEASER

ACT 1

SC 3. INT. CAROUSEL BOUTIQUE - DAY

RARITY, APPLEJACK, RAINBOW DASH, SWEETIE BELLE and SCOOTALOO are gathered together, clearly very excited. Sweetie Belle is looking at herself in a gown in the mirror as Rarity looks on.

19 RARITY
Your first Grand Galloping Gala!
The excitement, the anticipation! I
wouldn't miss this for all the
jewels in Equestria!

Sweetie Belle and Scootaloo squeal, jumping up and down.

20 SWEETIE BELLE & SCOOTALOO
We're going to the Gala! We're
going to the Gala!

21 APPLEJACK
Alright y'all, keep it down. It's
not THAT--

APPLE BLOOM comes out of the dressing room in her gown.
Applejack tears up instantly.

22 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
My little sister's all grown up!

23 APPLE BLOOM
Do you like it??

24 APPLEJACK
Do I LIKE it? I love it! I feel
sorry for anypony who has to miss
seeing you in it!

The CMCs are looking at themselves in the mirror and are now doing a synchronized dance.

25 CRUSADERS
We're going to the Gala! We're
going to the Gala!

They stop dancing as they break into laughter and hug each other, bouncing up and down.

26 CRUSADERS (CONT'D)
This is going to be the best night
ever!

All of a sudden Discord materializes. He sees the CMCs all dressed up and scowls.

27 DISCORD
All dressed up and I guess
somewhere to go? I don't suppose
these...
(with distaste)
...adorable little munchkins have
their own tickets to the Gross
Gruesome Gala do they?

28 APPLEJACK
Well howdy to you too!

29 DISCORD
I never said that. I would never
use that word.

30 RARITY
To answer your rather rude
question, they do NOT have their
own tickets. They're going as our
+1's.

The CMCs can't keep their excitement down.

31 THE CMCS
We're +1's!! We're +1's!! We're
+1's!!

32 DISCORD
(bellowing)
YES! I believe I got that!

He vanishes as quickly as he came and the CMCs look at each other in confusion. Then they start jumping up and down and begin their chant again.

33 CMCS
WE'RE GOING TO THE GALA!! WE'RE
GOING TO THE GALA!! WE'RE GOING TO
THE GALA!!

SC 4. INT. SUGARCUBE CORNER - SOON AFTER

PINKIE PIE is saying goodbye to a customer leaving the sweet shop. Otherwise the store is empty.

34 PINKIE PIE
Have a wonderful special fantastic
day! Eat lots of cake!

As the customer leaves we see a Discord shaped shadow come over the counter. Pinkie Pie looks up at him, oblivious to the potentially ominous nature of his visit.

35 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Hi Discord! Can I get you some
cake?!

He paces, stalling.

36 DISCORD
Perhaps.

37 PINKIE PIE
What a great answer!

38 DISCORD
Speaking of answers, I have a
question for you.

39 PINKIE PIE
I LOVE questions!

40 DISCORD
Who are you---I mean, do you---oh
rats, it's completely slipped my
mind! And it turns out I'm not
hungry after all! But perhaps I'll
see you at the Gala?
(silky)
With whomever it is you're taking?

She just stares at him and smiles.

41 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Because you are in fact taking
somepony...?

She stares at him again, blinking.

42 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Pinkie Pie, WHO ARE YOU TAKING TO
THE GALA???

43 PINKIE PIE
Who me? At first I was going to
ask Gummy, but then I remembered
how much he hates to dance, so I
thought I'd ask Rarity, but that
didn't make sense since she was
already going, so I--

44 DISCORD
Oh dear, look at the time WHO ARE
YOU TAKING??

45 PINKIE PIE
So I ended up asking my mom to go
with me! She's never been to
Canterlot, can you believe it?

Discord turns around and we see his angry, fuming expression
as Pinkie Pie goes on. As she's talking he notices that
Fluttershy and TREE HUGGER are outside. He watches them from
inside the shop for a bit and his eyes narrow.

46 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Fifteen years ago she saw it from a
distance, but then she admitted she
wasn't sure if it was Canterlot or
just something in her eye. But
there will be no mistaking it at
the Gala, lemme tell ya!

He DISAPPEARS.

47 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
What, no cake?

SC 5. EXT. PONYVILLE - CON'T

Fluttershy and TREE HUGGER, her +1, are taking a stroll. She
seems to be like the Martha Stewart of ponies---calm, cool,
collected, meticulously styled, and deadly flat in
personality. Fluttershy giggles softly.

48 FLUTTERSHY
Oh my, you are funny.

Discord materializes in front of them.

49 DISCORD
I guess every being in Equestria is
funny today! Do you find that
squirrel over there particularly
amusing??

Fluttershy looks over at the squirrel in the tree.

50 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, no. Snuffy is much more left
brain.

Discord grumbles and looks at Tree Hugger. He tries to strike
an imposing figure over her, but like Martha, nothing seems
to make her sweat. She just gives him a smile.

51 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
Oh, how rude of me. Tree Hugger,
this is Discord. Discord, Tree
Hugger.

52 TREE HUGGER
Pleasure to meet you.

53 DISCORD
Well, I must be off! It has nothing
to do with seeing you or not seeing
you, you can rest assured of that!

He disappears.

54 TREE HUGGER
(flat, like Martha)
What a charming party trick.

SC 6. EXT. MULTIPLE PLACES - DAY INTO NIGHT

Discord takes the long walk home and for the first time we
see the incredibly complicated and twisted route he has to
take to get there. All the while he talks out loud to
himself.

EXT. OCEAN--CON'T

He swims past deep-sea fish, a sour look on his face.

55 DISCORD
Oh, Tree Hugger, you're such a
great friend! So much funnier than
unfunny old Discord!

An undersea VORTEX grabs him and he spirals into the ocean floor...

EXT. DARK FOREST--MOMENTS LATER

...and spits him out in an undersea forest filled with ancient trees and rotting stumps.

56 DISCORD
No no, here, take my +1! I insist!
Before somepony else thinks *he's* my
friend and expects to be asked
instead!

Still grumbling, he climbs into a rotting stump, a la PAN'S LABYRINTH...

EXT. PIT OF ETERNAL FALLING--CON'T

...and down a staircase to a rope bridge over an endless black void.

57 DISCORD
What's that? You're worried Discord
might be upset? Not a problem! I
can make more new friends any time
I want!

And he reaches the other side of the bridge at...

EXT. VOLCANO--CON'T

...where he climbs to the top. Inside, lava bubbles and spurts.

58 DISCORD
It's not as if any of this actually
matters. I don't even want to go to
the Gala.

He swan-dives in...

SC 7. EXT. CHAOSVILLE - MOMENTS LATER

...and emerges from an underground tunnel into the capital of chaos. Strange creatures, bubbling ooze, rocks floating through the air. And in the middle of it all...

A perky little house with a white picket fence and a flag with a picture of flowers on it hanging off the porch.

Discord enters through the gate and picks a stray stick off his manicured lawn as a PRIMAL ROAR echoes in the distance.

As he skulks his way up to the gate, a MAILPONY covered in seaweed approaches him, terrified.

59 MAILPONY
Are you Discord? I can't find any
street numbers in this place. I got
a delivery for a Discord at 1159
Tears of a Clown Lane?

Discord GRABS the envelope from him and TEARS it open. His disposition changes immediately after seeing it.

60 DISCORD
It's my ticket to the Grand
Gallopig Gala!! I WAS invited
after all!!

His eyes narrow at the Mailpony.

61 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Why is it so late?

We see the Mailpony flop-sweating and looking around lost.

62 MAILPONY
I got a little lost after the
undersea vortex. Am I still alive?

Discord ignores him, back to exploring the invitation.

63 DISCORD
It starts in an hour? An hour?!!

64 MAILPONY
Can you point me in the direction
of that bottomless pit? I think I
can manage from there.

Discord points without looking up.

65 DISCORD
Over there somewhere.

The Mailpony walks off. Discord looks up with a large, scheming smile.

66 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Looks like I'll see you at the Gala
after all, Fluttershy.
(realizing)
(MORE)

DISCORD (CONT'D)

But I can't show up alone, she'll
think she's my only friend!

From the distance we see a weird liquid start to seep down
the street. The Mailpony slips on it.

67 MAILPONY
Agh!!
(to no one)
I'm okay!

Discord's wheels are turning. A slow smile creeps across his
face.

END ACT 1

ACT 2

SC 8. INT. CANTERLOT PALACE - NIGHT

Canterlot Palace is all decorated for its biggest night of
the year. TWILIGHT SPARKLE and PRINCESS CELESTIA are standing
at the top of the stairs talking.

68 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Where do you put the goblets? And
what about the extra lights
outside?! Do I greet different
ponies differently? I'm never going
to be able to pull this off. Why
did you choose me to host the Gala
this year?

69 PRINCESS CELESTIA
Because you're ready. You're more
than capable of handling this.

Celestia turns to go.

70 PRINCESS CELESTIA (CONT'D)
And I must say, I'm quite looking
forward to being a guest this year.

Twilight quickly hops in front of her.

71 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
But you'll be here if I need you,
right?

72 PRINCESS CELESTIA
Of course. But you won't.

She is about to go when Twilight stops her yet again.

73 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Quick question. Let's just say oh,
I happened to want to ask Princess
Luna or Princess Cadence something.
You know, totally unrelated to
hosting the Gala, just a coupla
ponies talkin' magic. Where can I
find them?

74 PRINCESS CELESTIA
Luna works nights and Cadance is
unable to attend this year. But
there's absolutely nothing for you
to worry about. I promise.

She walks away before Twilight can stop her.

Suddenly, near the entrance, we hear TRUMPETS BLARE.

75 FOOTPONY
Announcing, the spirit of chaos,
Discord, and his guest, the...uh...

Discord, wearing a tuxedo and a satisfied grin, whispers in
the Footpony's ear.

76 FOOTPONY (CONT'D)
The Smooze!

Everypony gasps as a roiling blob of translucent goo, about
the size and shape of Jabba the Hut, blurbs in. This is THE
SMOOZE. It gurgles straight for the Footpony's trumpet,
knocking it to the floor with a CLATTER.

77 DISCORD
Good evening, everypony! What a
glamorous affair!

Everypony looks on in horror as the Smooze subsumes the
trumpet into its ectoplasm. A SPLURT OF GOO comes off the
Smooze, leaving a spot on the floor.

78 DISCORD (CONT'D)
(to the Footpony)
He does have a yen for shiny
things, the rascal!

79 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Discord!

She takes him by the elbow and leads him to the side.
Throughout their conversation, Discord is scanning the room
for Fluttershy.

80 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
What are you doing here with--
that???

81 DISCORD
Now, now, now, is that any way to
talk? The Smooze may be in an "it"
but it's an "it" with a heart of,
well, blob.

82 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
This night is extremely important
to me, Discord. Keep...it under
control.

83 DISCORD
(dismissively)
Yes yes, of course of course. Tell
me, have you seen Fluttershy
anywhere?

And he walks away, leaving Twilight perturbed. He catches up
to the Smooze, headed for a group of ponies wearing very
shiny jewels.

84 DISCORD (CONT'D)
This way, Smooze!

He puts an arm around the Smooze's gloppy, sloppy "shoulder"
and passes by the Cutie Mark Crusaders, who are all very
excited about being there.

85 CRUSADERS
We're here!! We're here!! We made
it to the Gala!!!

Discord pulls some jewels out of the Smooze and tosses them
back to a disgruntled pony.

86 DISCORD
Terribly sorry, my friend here just
loves shiny things.

He leads the Smooze toward a...

SC 9. INT. CANTERLOT PALACE DRINKS STATION - CON'T.

They walk up to the drinks station. Discord positions himself
with his back to Fluttershy. He starts laughing, prompted by
nothing.

87 DISCORD
Hahahaha! I'm so glad I invited
you! I'm having the time of my
life! You know what they say! Old
friends are the BEST friends!

He says it louder.

88 DISCORD (CONT'D)
I said old friends are the BEST
friends!
 (pretending to see her for
 the first time)
Oh, Fluttershy! I didn't see YOU
there!

Fluttershy is so rapt by Tree Hugger's story that she doesn't
hear him. He clears his throat loudly.

89 DISCORD (CONT'D)
I said, FLUTTERSHY! I DIDN'T SEE
YOU THERE!

90 FLUTTERSHY
Discord! You made it! I thought you
weren't coming!

He is clearly annoyed by this, but covers quickly.

91 DISCORD
Well, here I am! And is it Bush
Friend? Your name is slipping my
mind right now, how strange.

92 TREE HUGGER
It's Tree Hugger. Nice to meet you.

Discord has to strangle back a burst of fury. He covers with
a smile.

93 DISCORD
We've met before, actually.

She smiles politely, but clearly doesn't remember.

94 DISCORD (CONT'D)
You've got to be kidding, you don't
remember me?

95 TREE HUGGER
I don't, I'm terribly sorry--

96 DISCORD
Well, anyway who cares about that!
Not me! It's just great to be here
with my oldest, bestest friend.

97 FLUTTERSHY
Am I really your oldest, bestest
friend?

98 DISCORD
Not YOU! Of course not! You think I
don't have any other friends? I'm
CENTURIES old!! I was talking about
the Smooze! Smoozeface, the
Smoozenator. Well that's what we
called him back at ol' Chaos U in
the secret society we were both in
that you wouldn't know anything
about because it was secret and you
weren't a part of it.

99 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, that sounds fun.

Discord looks like he might explode from anger, but still
manages to put on a brave smile. None of his attempts to make
Fluttershy jealous are working.

100 DISCORD
It WAS fun. It was REAL fun. We
created a bond that made us
inseparable! And NOT just because
the ooze that seeps out of him is
incredibly adhesive!

He GRABS the Smooze as best he can.

101 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Smooze, I'd like you to meet
Fluttershy and Tree...Embrace?

102 TREE HUGGER
 (chuckling)
I actually sort of prefer that
name.

103 FLUTTERSHY
Hee Hee!

The Smooze kind of burps a hello and starts heading for Tree
Hugger's jewels. Discord tries to surreptitiously push it
back while Fluttershy talks.

104 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
I can't believe I've never heard
you speak of the Smooze before. It
sounds like you two are so close.

105 DISCORD
I'm glad you got that, because that
is what is true. We ARE very close.

106 FLUTTERSHY
That's so wonderful! The four of us
should go out to dinner some time!

Discord can't hide it anymore. He is furious that she is not
the slightest bit jealous of his friend.

107 DISCORD
We should all go out to dinner some
time??? Have you no heart??

108 FLUTTERSHY
Oh no, what did I say? Does he not
eat?

Discord stares at her, realizing he needs an out for losing
it, and she has just given it to him.

109 DISCORD
That's exactly right! The Smooze is
not able to eat. Restaurants are
painful for him for just that
reason.

110 FLUTTERSHY
Oh my, I didn't mean to offend
either of you. I'm so sorry.

The Smooze has started burbling after Pinkie Pie and her
MOTHER, who wears a simple sequined gown. Discord is trying
to hold him back like a pit bull, but the Smooze has no
cellular integrity, so it's like holding molasses.

111 DISCORD
Looks like somepony wants to
mingle! We'll be back in a bit.

112 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, okay. Treezy and I would love
to talk to you more later.

113 DISCORD
TREEZY? Really? That's the best
nickname you could come up with?
Smoozie, wait!!

He chases down the blob, but keeps one eye on Fluttershy and Tree Hugger. Within seconds Fluttershy is giggling at something Tree Hugger has said and we see Discord trying to hide his fury.

DISSOLVE TO:

SC 10. EXT. CANTERLOT PALACE COURTYARD - CON'T

The Smooze and Discord are outside and Discord is looking in. He sees Fluttershy and Tree Hugger laughing and chatting with Applejack, Apple Bloom, Rainbow Dash, and Scootaloo. Fluttershy glances out the window at him and he reflexively grabs whoever is closest to him, who happens to be Sweetie Belle, and starts laughing as though they had been deep in conversation.

114 DISCORD
This is so great!

115 SWEETIE BELLE
What is?

116 DISCORD
 (still looking at
 Fluttershy)
This whole thing! You!

117 SWEETIE BELLE
Oh, thanks, Discord!

Fluttershy gives him a smile and looks away. Discord immediately releases Sweetie Belle and turns his attention back to the Smooze.

118 DISCORD
Listen, Smooze, I need to make this
a party of one for a little while.
Just...stay out here until I come
for you.

The Smooze sucks in an elderly pony's diamond necklace, prompting another discharge of ooze. The ponies in the courtyard gasp and back away, slipping in the ooze.

Discord, meanwhile, slips back inside and locks the doors behind him.

INT. CANTERLOT PALACE DANCE AREA--CON'T.

He sees Fluttershy and Tree Hugger laughing with the others and walks over to them.

He starts laughing, acting like he gets the joke, but he is still halfway across the room. By the time he gets to them, they have all stopped. They just stare at him.

119 TREE HUGGER
What's so funny, Datcord?

120 DISCORD
DIScord! It's DIScord, you...

He covers his annoyance with another laugh.

121 TREE HUGGER
Well? What's so funny?

122 DISCORD
Exactly!

123 TREE HUGGER
What?

There's an awkward beat of Discord and Tree Hugger smiling at each other.

124 RAINBOW DASH
Okaaaay, we're gonna go.

Rainbow Dash, Scootaloo, Applejack, and Apple Bloom leave. Discord puts his arm around Fluttershy and leans into her.

125 DISCORD
Fluttershy, tell the Hugs here about the time we went to the store and came back with TWO cakes instead of one because that's how crazy we are when we're together!

126 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, okay. Um, we went to the store and got two cakes.

He waits for her to say more, but she doesn't. He looks at her like she's really failing their friendship.

127 DISCORD
You kind of left out all of the fun and frivolity there, but I'm sure you got that, Tree Hugger.

128 TREE HUGGER
I got that you really like cake.

129 DISCORD
We like each other, THAT was the
point! I'm actually pretty lukewarm
about cake.

130 TREE HUGGER
Oh, that didn't come across in that
story.

Discord gives her a withering look. Suddenly, a SCREAM comes
from outside.

131 FLUTTERSHY
What was that?

Rarity is at the door COVERED head to toe in OOZE. She is
banging on the door screaming to come in.

132 RARITY
Let me in!!

This gets everypony's attention and soon everypony, including
Twilight, Fluttershy, and Tree Hugger, are gathered at the
door. Twilight unlocks it.

133 RARITY (CONT'D)
That THING took my jewels!

134 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Discord! I thought I told you to
keep your friend under control!

135 DISCORD
Oh please, I have better things to
do than watch that THING all night.

Fluttershy and Tree Hugger both look at him.

136 DISCORD (CONT'D)
What I mean to say is, that thing
is a dear, dear friend and I will
make sure the ooze he can't help
but secrete doesn't get on anypony
else.

137 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Thank you.
(to the room)
It's all right, everypony! Let's
just get back to enjoying this
amazing Gala!

138 RARITY
 (sopping wet)
Amazing? Hardly!

Twilight glares at Discord, but he is looking at Fluttershy and Tree Hugger, who are whispering and giggling.

SC 11. INT. CANTERLOT PALACE - A LITTLE LATER

Discord shoves the Smooze into a storage closet. It is stocked floor to ceiling with crystal glasses, a chandelier, and assorted shiny things.

139 DISCORD
Listen Smooze, you need to stay in
this closet and have your own
little party. You're making me look
like a fool in front of Fluttershy!
I'll be back when the Gala is over.

He shuts and locks the door. He looks around. He sees Tree Hugger talking and Fluttershy laughing hysterically.

140 FLUTTERSHY
Oh, Tree Hugger! I've never known
anypony as funny as you. You should
do stand up comedy.

This makes Discord's eyes bulge out and we can see little puffs of smoke start to smolder in his ears. He frantically looks around and sees the mic in front of the piano. He runs up to the stage and grabs the mic.

141 DISCORD
Check, check, check. Is this thing
on? Good evening, fillies and
germs. I do hope everypony's having
a great time tonight. I just flew
into Canterlot and wow are my inter-
species parts tired!

The crowd just stares. Twilight slaps her forehead with her hoof. Discord immediately starts to sweat profusely and he grabs his tie, loosening it.

142 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Tough crowd.

Twilight turns to Applejack, Pinkie Pie and Rainbow Dash.

143 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What is he doing now?

144 RAINBOW DASH
I think he's doing jokes.

145 PINKIE PIE
(calling to her mom at the
drinks station)
Mom! Jokes!

Discord is swimming in sweat and hunched over the piano.

146 DISCORD
A pony walks into a room. And so
does another pony and another pony.
And they said, hey where are the
other species in this room?

He sees Fluttershy and Tree Hugger talking intensely,
oblivious to his act.

147 DISCORD (CONT'D)
THESE ARE THE JOKES, PONIES!!!

Meanwhile, Smooze ooze has started to seep out from under the
closet door. Discord sees it and really starts to unravel.

148 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Knock knock!

He looks out at the crowd who aren't saying anything.

149 DISCORD (CONT'D)
You're supposed to say "who's
there!" This is the most basic of
jokes!!

150 HECKLER PONY
YOU'RE the most basic of jokes!

The ponies finally laugh and we see Discord fuming, almost
about to lose it. Meanwhile, Twilight finally notices the
ooze spreading across the floor.

151 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What is that?!

Pinkie Pie's Mom has joined the group.

152 PINKIE PIE
Look, Mom! It's like you always
say: it's not a party until there's
ooze on the dance floor! Oooh! That
gives me a great idea!

Pinkie Pie runs out and does a Risky Business slide.

153 PINKIE
Come on, everypony! DANCE PARTY!!!

Discord, happy to be saved, throws the mic a little too hard to the floor.

154 DISCORD
Great idea, Pinkie Pie! Folks, I
now declare this a dance party!

He snaps his fingers and the lights dim and circles of color spin around the room. He Risky Businesses himself onto the floor, sliding through the ooze. Other ponies do the same. The CMCs race out and slide across the ooze. Even Celestia is bustin a move.

155 CRUSADERS
BEST NIGHT EVER!!!

Discord tries to slosh over to Fluttershy and Tree Hugger, who are having a grand time in the ooze. Tree Hugger has attracted quite a crowd, and that is because she is an incredible dancer.

156 FLUTTERSHY
I had no idea you were such a good
dancer! We should have a regular
dance party every Tuesday!

157 DISCORD
(to himself)
Tuesday? Tea day?

This sends him over the edge. He has HAD ENOUGH.

158 DISCORD (CONT'D)
THAT! IS! IT!

He SNAPS HIS FINGERS and the closet door starts to heave.

159 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh no.

And the door EXPLODES! The Smooze bubbles and blurbs out, growing bigger and bigger and bigger! It is rapidly filling the room!

Discord GRABS Tree Hugger and races to the courtyard just before the Smooze threatens to fill the entire room!

END OF ACT 2

ACT 3

SC 12. EXT. CANTERLOT PALACE - CONT'D

From the outside we see ponies pressed in comical positions against the glass, trapped by the ooze.

160 RAINBOW DASH
So...

161 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Don't worry, everypony! This is
just a glitch! The Gala will be
back up and running in no time!

Her horn starts to GLOW. But as her magic comes in contact with the Smooze and his ooze, it fizzles away ineffectually.

162 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Princess Celestia? Where are you?
Does your magic work?

REVEAL that Celestia is pinned against the glass upside-down above Twilight.

163 CELESTIA
I'm afraid not.

164 RARITY
This is just terrible. My dress is
RUINED!

165 APPLEJACK
Really? That's what you're worried
about?

166 PINKIE PIE
We can't turn on each other! We
have to stay positive!

167 FLUTTERSHY
(furious)
I am positive! Positive that I'm
going to...
(settling down)
...give Discord a stern talking-to.

SC 13. EXT. CANTERLOT PALACE TOWER - CONT'D

Discord carries Tree Hugger up the spiral staircase. She is covered in Smooze ooze, including over her mouth. We hear her muffled protestations.

168 DISCORD
Look, I'm sure you're a perfectly
nice pony, but I simply can't have
you interfering in my friendship
with Fluttershy.

She tries to shout something, but it is muffled.

169 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Oh, relax, I'm not going to hurt
you. I'm reformed, remember? I'm
simply going to send you to another
dimension!

He snaps his fingers...but nothing happens!

CLOSE ON DISCORD'S HAND -- it is COVERED IN OOZE!

170 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Oh, you got Smooze ooze all over
me!

He tries to wipe it on the banister, but it is incredibly
sticky.

171 DISCORD (CONT'D)
I just need to get. This. Ooze.
Off!!

SC 14. INT. CANTERLOT PALACE - CON'T

And the ponies are still stuck in amber.

172 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What are we going to do?

173 RAINBOW DASH
Uh, Twilight? Your magic can't
penetrate the Smooze, right?

174 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
No! I've tried!

175 RAINBOW DASH
Well what about the glass?

Twilight gives a look like, "Why didn't I think of that?" She
fires up her horn, which is touching the glass, and makes the
whole wall disappear! The ponies ride the Smooze wave as it
spills into the courtyard.

176 APPLEJACK
Finally!

177 RAINBOW DASH
Let's go find Discord!

178 FLUTTERSHY
No. I'll handle him. You stay here
and make sure everypony gets back
to having a good time.

She races off.

179 RARITY
Sweetie Belle!

Rarity sees Sweetie Belle covered in ooze. She then notices that underneath more ooze are Apple Bloom and Scootaloo. Rarity, panicked, pulls ooze off of them to uncover them. As soon as she does they start singing excitedly.

180 SWEETIE BELLE
We're covered!

181 SCOOTALOO
In ooze!

182 APPLE BLOOM
At the Gala!

183 CRUSADERS
BEST NIGHT EVER!!

Rarity just shakes her head and moves on to help other ponies.

SC 15. INT. CANTERLOT PALACE TOWER - CONT'D

Fluttershy sees Discord carrying Tree Hugger and runs up to follow them.

184 FLUTTERSHY
Discord! Get back here right now!

Discord struggles up the stairs, juggling Tree Hugger and trying to wipe the ooze off. He shouts down to her as she pursues him.

185 DISCORD
I'll come down once I've sent your
"friend" to another dimension! Then
we can have a good laugh about this
whole affair over some tea and
petit fours!

Tree Hugger makes more noises.

186 DISCORD (CONT'D)
I know you probably think I'm a big
meanie, but I promise you I'm not.
You see, the fact is Fluttershy's
friendship means everything to me.
I never thought I'd say a thing
like that, but it's true. She has
warmed this cold, black heart.

He shakes his hand and a splotch of ooze flies off.

187 DISCORD (CONT'D)
And I just. Can't. Let. ANYTHING.
GET IN THE WAY OF THAT!

He continues to climb, wiping his hand on the staircase and
leaving a trail of ooze.

188 FLUTTERSHY
Please, Discord, stop!

189 DISCORD
I'm doing her a favor, Fluttershy!
This is a lovely dimension I'm
sending her to! White sand beaches,
lush green mountains...I mean okay,
if I'm honest the humidity isn't
great in the summer, but where
isn't that the case these days?

He reaches the top of the tower, where there is a small room
with a bell in it. Fluttershy is still trailing behind. He
tries again and again to snap his fingers.

190 DISCORD (CONT'D)
If only I had some water to wash
this goo off...

Suddenly, a water hose appears.

191 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Ah, look at that! Magic is back on!
Ready to go? If it makes you feel
better I'm sure there will be lots
of NEW species you can meet and
save there!

192 FLUTTERSHY
Discord, wait!!

Fluttershy enters the bell tower.

193 DISCORD
You're faster than you look.

194 FLUTTERSHY
I don't understand why you're doing this. I thought we were friends!

195 DISCORD
Oh you thought we were friends? I thought we were friends! But then you went and invited this other pony to the biggest night of the year as if I didn't matter at all!

196 FLUTTERSHY
I already told you, I thought you had your own ticket! Besides, I should be able to have other friends without you thinking it means our friendship means nothing. When you have other friends do you think our friendship means nothing?

197 DISCORD
(before he can stop himself)
I don't HAVE other friends!

There's a heavy beat. Fluttershy's angry expression turns sympathetic. Tree Hugger makes a muffled "aww" sound.

198 DISCORD (CONT'D)
That's not what I meant.

199 FLUTTERSHY
Do you think I'm such a terrible friend I would abandon you just because I have a new friend?

200 DISCORD
Yes!

201 FLUTTERSHY
What if you had a friend that you could discuss chaos-based magic with? Would that mean our friendship was useless?

202 DISCORD
(considering)
No, I suppose not. It would just mean I would have different friends for different things.
(realizing)
Oh! Oooh. Oh dear. It looks like perhaps I overreacted just a touch?

203 FLUTTERSHY
More like a lot of touches.

204 DISCORD
I'm just so new to this friendship thing! It's much more complicated than it looks to the casual observer.

205 FLUTTERSHY
It sounds like you owe somepony an apology.

206 DISCORD
I'm so sorry, Fluttershy.

207 FLUTTERSHY
Not ME.

Tree Hugger just makes noises through the ooze.

208 DISCORD
Oh. Right.

He puts her down and magics the ooze off her mouth. She shakes herself off and walks over to Fluttershy.

209 TREE HUGGER
Well that was a sticky situation.

She chuckles blandly. Fluttershy giggles. Discord can't help it...he giggles too.

210 DISCORD
Tree Hugger, I'm sure there's nothing I could do to make you feel better about this whole unfortunate situation, but I am sorry you got caught in the middle of my, you know, wrath.

211 TREE HUGGER
Perhaps you could make it up to me by allowing me to study all the different species that you're made of?

212 DISCORD
I'd be delighted! I must say the laissez faire attitude that made my skin crawl earlier I now see is quite a delight!

He goes to put an arm around her, but she stops him.

213 TREE HUGGER
Maybe from afar.

214 DISCORD
Fair enough.

SC 16. INT. CANTERLOT PALACE - LATER

Discord is with the Mane Six. Everything is back to normal and the Gala is back in relative full swing. Ponies are dancing and having fun.

215 DISCORD
Well--friends---I hope to get used
to this friend thing soon enough.

216 PINKIE PIE
Hey, it's not a party until
somepony spreads ooze
uncontrollably over the Gala and
then removes it and apologizes!
Right, Mom?

She nods and smiles.

217 DISCORD
I think I may actually grow to like
this multiple friend thing!

Discord's eyes get wide and he tries to make himself small behind Rainbow Dash.

218 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Oh no, here he comes.

219 RAINBOW DASH
Here who comes?

220 DISCORD
The Smooze!! He's coming this way!

221 RARITY
Discord! I thought you'd learned
something from all this!

He steps out from behind Rainbow Dash, chastened.

222 DISCORD
All right, I see your point, I do.
But if I apologize to the Smooze
can I ditch him then so we can all
hang out together?

223 FLUTTERSHY
Now Discord, did I ditch you when
you took my friend up the tower and
almost sent her to another
dimension?

He tips his cup to her.

224 DISCORD
I think we can all admit that your
compassion is larger than most.
Amiright, fillies?
(off their looks)
I'll be right back. With the
Smooze.

SC 17. INT. CANTERLOT PALACE - LATER

Celestia is saying goodbye to a pony and Twilight walks up to her hesitantly.

225 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Okay so I think we can both agree I
didn't have this one like you
thought I would. I'm so sorry. I
mean REALLY REALLY -- did I mention
really? -- sorry.

226 PRINCESS CELESTIA
You have nothing to apologize for.
This is the most fun Gala in years!

227 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I know, and I wouldn't blame you
if...what?

Celestia gives her an impish grin.

228 PRINCESS CELESTIA
I'm having an excellent time.

229 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh. Great! But I have to ask, why
did you invite Discord? He may be
reformed, but he's still
unpredictable.

230 PRINCESS CELESTIA
My dear Twilight, a boring Gala is
far worse than one that's too
exciting. Come on, the night is
still young!

They head to the dance floor, passing by Discord and the Smooze, who are dancing with Pinkie Pie and her mom.

231 DISCORD
 (to the Smooze)
I'm sorry I turned you into an even
bigger blob of ooze.

The Smooze makes some gurgling noises. He starts to move toward Pinkie Pie's mom's sequined dress.

232 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Come now, Smoozey, try and stay
within the limits here and not get
so crazy.
 (realizing)
Oh Smoozey! We have more in common
than I realized! Perhaps we really
are friends!

The Smooze gurgles again.

233 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Friendship truly does come in all
styles and sizes.

234 PINKIE PIE
Yay!!

The Gala continues into the night as we...

FADE OUT.