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Cane-ada, sugar supplier for all of Equestria, has been hit by a terrible parasprite infestation, decimating the sugar crop. When news reaches Ponyville that sugar will have to be rationed there is a run on supply. Pinkie Pie, seeing a long sugarless year ahead, panics. She decides the best place to hoard it is in her stomach and goes on an epic sugar binge. In a fever dream, she has an epiphany and realizes she needs to quit eating sugar immediately. Cold turkey.

As the sugar exits her system, an entirely different Pinkie Pie begins to emerge. The lack of sugar makes her mind sharper, her thoughts more logical. Her brain is working in ways it never has before. But while her friends appreciate everything she's doing (e.g.: she quickly calculates an easy fix for Applejack's busted water chute), and are impressed with her dramatic change, they can't help feeling sad that the new sugar-free Pinkie seems to have completely replaced good ol' Fun Pinkie. When news comes in that the full-polka assault on the sugarcane fields was a success, they breathe a sigh of relief and prepare to give Pinkie a frosting infusion. But she refuses. To go back to her old self now would be...illogical.

The new logical Pinkie thwarts all her friends' attempts to get her to have some sugar. They decide their best chance to get their old friend back is to throw her a surprise party and trick her into becoming Fun Pinkie again. But despite their best efforts, she is able to resist even this. Finally they understand how serious the situation is. The Pinkie they knew and loved might be gone forever. It's a sad reality for them, but she is still their friend and if she's happier this way, then they will just have to support the new Pinkie. Pinkie thinks, then says, "But I'm not actually happier now than I was with sugar. Therefore it is an illogical conclusion for me to want to stay this way as opposed to being my old self..." She falls into a horrific logic spiral and gets her mind so twisted and warped that – sproing! – she becomes Fun Pinkie again! As she tears into an emergency pastry, she tells her friends that she has learned the importance of having balance. "I became so obsessed with my new lifestyle that I forgot who I really am, and you can't be a good friend if you can't be yourself."