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TEASER

SC. 1 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - EARLY MORNING

It's dark out and the farm's rooster is snoring, still fast asleep on a fence post. GRANNY SMITH sleeps nearby in her rocker. Applejack's head enters frame, inches away from the sleeping rooster.

1 APPLEJACK
(QUIETLY) Mornin' there Mr.
Rooster. It's rise 'n shine time.

The rooster doesn't stir and continues snoring.

2 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
Come on now, ya'll know what I
always say, "even before you see
the sun, at Sweet Apple Acres, the
day's already begun."

The rooster turns and steps along the fence, closer to Granny. The two of them SNORE together. Applejack sighs.

3 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
I'll give you five more minutes...
(SLIGHTLY CROSS) just like I do
every morning. (LOOKING AROUND AT
FARM) All right, these pre-chore
chores aren't going to do
themselves.

IN A QUICK MONTAGE WE FOLLOW APPLEJACK AS SHE RUNS BETWEEN: THE FENCE

Applejack stands by a portion of fence where there's a hole in the chicken wire. She pulls out a spool of chicken wire and struggles to pull off a piece. Once she finally does, she attaches it over the hole and then wipes her brow.

She looks along the fence, seeing many other holes that still need to be patched.

THE IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Applejack turns a valve and jumps on some bellows forcing water through the pipes.

Applejack then quickly places her hooves in sequence over leaky holes in the pipe before water shoots out.

She's forced to stretch in crazy directions, balancing on one hoof while covering holes with her other three as the crops get watered.

THE PIG PEN

Applejack opens the gate.

4 APPLEJACK
It's wallow time, ya'll.

Applejack runs out of frame only to reappear seconds later carrying a huge bucket of apples. She drops an apple in front of a nearby pig. When it walks over to eat the apple, she drops another one a little closer to the wallow. She quickly makes a path of apples for the pig to follow.

AND THE SERIES REPEATS:

- Applejack's back at another hole in the fence. She repeats the same actions as before to fix it.

- Applejack makes another trail of apples for another pig to follow.

- Applejack back jumping on the bellows and covering leaks.

THEN IN TIME LAPSE - The action of covering the leaks, making apple trails and patching the holes in the fence goes faster and faster until Applejack's moving in a blur as the SUN RISES AND SETS over and over until finally...

ANGLE ON - Apple Bloom and Big Mac. They look from Granny, asleep in her rocker, to Applejack off screen.

5 APPLE BLOOM
 (to Big Mac)
You know, I think if Granny were
awake, she'd say Applejack's stuck
in a rut.

6 BIG MAC
Eeyup.

PULL OUT - to see Applejack's path of daily chores has created an actual rut in the ground. She looks up at them, realizing she's flank-deep in a hole.

7 APPLEJACK
Ah... little help?

END TEASER

MAIN TITLES**ACT 1****SC. 2 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - A SHORT TIME LATER**

Apple Bloom walks Twilight, Fluttershy, Rarity, Rainbow Dash and Pinkie Pie towards the farm.

8 APPLE BLOOM
I sure do appreciate you all coming over. It's just, Applejack seems so overworked lately.

9 RAINBOW DASH
Applejack overworked?! Come on.

10 PINKIE PIE
Yeah. There's not enough work in all of Equestria to over her with.

They see Applejack stacking barrels. Her mane is frazzled, and she's covered in dust. She takes a step away from the barrels and stretches her back. It **CRACKS** loudly.

11 RAINBOW DASH
(TO APPLE BLOOM) Okay. You may have a point.

They approach Applejack, who's still stacking barrels.

12 TWILIGHT
Hi, Applejack.

Applejack is so focused on her task, she doesn't notice them.

13 RAINBOW DASH
(WAVING) Um... Applejack?

Still in the zone, Applejack continues stacking barrels. Pinkie Pie taps her on the shoulder. Surprised, Applejack turns and stumbles backwards into the stack. A barrel falls over Pinkie Pie. She pops her head out of it.

14 PINKIE PIE
I'm a barrel of fun!

15 APPLEJACK
Whoops. Sorry about that, y'all. I guess I didn't see you walk up. There's been so much to do lately.

16 TWILIGHT
Apple Bloom told us you've been
working pretty hard--

17 FLUTTERSHY
Maybe too hard.

18 APPLEJACK
-Too hard? There's no such thing
as working "too hard." Farm life
keeps you as busy as a bee, which
reminds me -- honey collecting's
next! Great seeing you and all,
but I gotta get back to work.

As she starts to walk off, Rarity grabs her hooves.

19 RARITY
Goodness, darling! You've
practically worked your hooves down
to the bone. You need a day off.

20 APPLEJACK
Whoa, whoa, whoa. I don't need a
day off. I'm fine. (YAWNS) Just a
little tired is all.

She finishes yawning and nearly falls asleep.

21 RAINBOW DASH
Ah, more than a little.

22 TWILIGHT
That's it. You need a day off to
relax.

23 APPLEJACK
But I relax all the time. Like when
I harvest the corn, I don't always
shuck it right away, or sometimes
when I bail the hay, I only use one
hoof, which is kinda fun...

She looks up at all of the staring at her.

24 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
(realizing)
Alright. I guess I see your point.

25 TWILIGHT
Maybe we can think of something
that doesn't have to do with
farming?

They all turn to see Rarity, buzzing in excitement.

26 FLUTTERSHY
Rarity, are you okay?

27 RARITY
(EXCITED) I'm better than okay
because I know exactly what we
should do! Two words: SPA DAY!

28 FLUTTERSHY
Oooh. That does sound nice.

29 PINKIE PIE
Spa day is my all time favorite day
ever! Yay!

30 RAINBOW DASH
(NOT ENTHUSED) Yeah, spending a
whole day getting pampered and
relaxed isn't really my thing, but
I'm pretty sure it's exactly what
you need, Applejack.

31 APPLEJACK
(INTRIGUED) Well, I've never been
to a spa before. (THEN) But even if
I wanted to go, I can't. There's
just too much work to do here. I've
got responsibilities.

32 TWILIGHT
Well, then I guess I'll have to
stay here and fill in for you.

33 APPLEJACK
I don't know...

34 PINKIE PIE
You said you have responsibilities
and Twilight's the most responsible
pony there is.

35 APPLE BLOOM
And Big Mac, Granny and me will be
here too. What could go wrong?

As Applejack considers, Rarity looks at her, buzzing with excitement.

36 RARITY
(HOPEFUL) Two words?

37 APPLEJACK
Alright. (SIGHS) Spa day.

SC. 3 - INT. TRANQUILITY STABLES - RECEPTION AREA - MORNING

Rarity, Pinkie Pie, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash and Applejack enter the spa.

38 RARITY
Applejack, you're going to
absolutely love it here. The first
thing we should start with is...

She notices the front desk is empty.

39 RARITY (CONT'D)
...Finding somepony who works here.
(CLEARS THROAT, FOR ATTENTION)

Nothing.

40 FLUTTERSHY
(VERY QUIETLY) Hello? (EVEN
QUIETER) Anypony here?

Nothing.

41 APPLEJACK
Welp, we gave it a try. Guess I'll
just head back to those chores.

Applejack turns to go, but Rainbow Dash puts a hoof out.

42 RAINBOW DASH
Nothing doing. You need to relax
and that is exactly what you're
going to do.
(LOUDLY) HEL-LOOO-OOO!?

A frazzled looking Aloe trots in.

43 ALOE
Sorry about that. We're kinda
swamped today. (THEN) Welcome to
Tranquility Stables. Have a seat
and we'll be with you shortly. And
please help yourself to some of our
relaxation spa water.

She motions to a nearby tray with a pitcher of water and glasses on it. Rarity uses her magic to float a glass over to Applejack.

44 RARITY
Applejack, you simply must try
some.

Applejack starts taking a long drink.

45 RARITY (CONT'D)
The secret ingredient is--

Applejack spits out the water in disgust. She turns to look at Rarity, who now has cucumber slices on her face.

46 RARITY (CONT'D)
...Cucumber.

47 APPLEJACK
Oh. Sorry. I thought it'd gone
bad.

SC. 4 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Twilight and Spike are walking behind Apple Bloom and Big Mac.

48 TWILIGHT
I'm really looking forward to
helping out on the farm today,
Spike.

49 SPIKE
(DISAPPOINTED) I was really looking
forward to going to the spa.

50 TWILIGHT
Oh, come on. It will be fun.
Besides, Applejack needed a break
and taking on her share of the
chores is the least we can do.

51 SPIKE
I guess so.

Twilight turns to Apple Bloom and Big Mac.

52 TWILIGHT
All right. Just hand over
Applejack's To Do list and we'll
get started.

Apple Bloom and Big Mac look at each other.

53 APPLE BLOOM
To Do List?

54 TWILIGHT
Yeah. I'm sure there's a lot to do
on a farm as big as Sweet Apple
Acres and the best way to keep
track when there's a lot to do is a
long list.

Twilight holds her hoof out, expectantly.

55 APPLE BLOOM
I'm sorry, Twilight, but that's
just not how it works around here.

56 BIG MAC
Nope.

57 APPLE BLOOM
We all have our chores, but we just
kinda know what they are. Big Mac
does all the hauling, Granny and I
do all the cleaning and Applejack
does everything else.

58 SPIKE
Like what?

59 APPLE BLOOM
(thinks)
Well, I know she leads the pigs to
the wallow and does the watering. I
guess she patches the fences too.

60 TWILIGHT
(mounting anxiety)
But.... There's no To Do list?

61 BIG MAC
Nope.

Twilight smiles, trying not to look worried.

62 TWILIGHT
Oh. Okay. I mean, there's no To Do
list and that's okay because I can
just figure out what to do. I mean
who needs To Do lists really
anyway. Right?

Spike turns to the others.

63 SPIKE
This might be a problem.

Sc. 5 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - PIG PEN - LATER

Twilight and Spike walk up to the pig pen.

64 SPIKE (CONT'D)
Lead the pigs to the wallow, huh?

65 TWILIGHT
(less than confident)
Yep.

66 SPIKE
So... What's a wallow?

Twilight points to the mud pit.

67 TWILIGHT
It's a mud pit. It's how pigs stay
cool on a hot day.

Spike looks up at the blazing sun in the sky.

68 SPIKE
Oh! Pigs love mud. This should be
easy.

Twilight opens the gate. The pigs don't budge. Spike gets behind one and tries to push for all he's worth. He doesn't move an inch.

69 SPIKE (CONT'D)
Come on, piggie-pig. The mud's
<EFFORT> over <EFFORT> there.

The pig sits on him.

70 SPIKE (CONT'D)
(strained under the
weight)
Applejack must have a trick.

71 TWILIGHT
Well, since we don't know what
Applejack's trick is, we'll have to
use one of mine.

Twilight's horn glows and all of the pigs float into the air. But the second their feet leave the ground, they immediately erupt into panicked squeals.

72 SPIKE
Ah, Twilight, I don't think they
like that.

73 TWILIGHT
Okay, okay. (TO PIGS) I'm sorry.
I'll just put you back down and--

As soon as the pigs touch down, still spooked, they scatter all across the farm, knocking over barrels, bursting through haystacks, breaking fences and generally causing havoc.

74 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Maybe this won't be as fun as I
thought.

Off Spike's consternation...

END OF ACT 1

ACT 2

SC. 6 - INT. TRANQUILITY STABLES - STEAM ROOM - LATER

Rarity, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash and Pinkie Pie are sitting on wooden benches in the partially steam filled room. Steam completely covers one corner of the room. All sigh in relaxation and contentment.

75 RARITY
Maybe I should open another
Carousel Boutique in here. That
way, I'll never have to leave.

There is a clanging sound from the steam-filled corner. Applejack, who's hidden by the steam, responds:

76 APPLEJACK (O.S.)
Great idea!

More clanging sounds are heard.

77 FLUTTERSHY
(HALF-ASLEEP) It's so warm. I feel
like a bear hibernating in a cave.
Wake me when the seasons change.

A clanging sound is heard again.

78 APPLEJACK (O.S.)
Yep. Couldn't agree more.

79 RAINBOW DASH
(BEGRUDGING) I mean, it's okay.
Sure, my wing muscles are loose and
my flank's all relaxed and I guess
if I closed my eyes I could just...

Dash starts to drift off when more CLANGING is heard.

80 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
What is that clanging sound?!

Rainbow Dash uses her wings to clear away the steam, revealing: Applejack in the corner, working on the pipe system.

There's grease on her face and some loose corroded pipes in front of her. Rainbow Dash, Rarity and Fluttershy <GASP> in surprise. Pinkie Pie jumps up.

81 PINKIE PIE
What? What?

She moves the flattening hair from her eyes and sees Applejack working.

82 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
(GASPS)

83 RARITY
Applejack, what ever are you doing?!

Applejack continues working on the pipes.

84 APPLEJACK
Well, this here section of pipe was a bit clogged, so I just thought I'd fix it.

85 RARITY
Fix it? How could you possibly fix this steam room? It's positively perf--

Applejack turns a valve and takes a step back. Suddenly, the entire room is filled with steam.

86 EVERYPONY EXCEPT APPLEJACK
(LONG RELAXED SIGH) Ahhhhhhh.

Rainbow Dash clears away a little bit of the steam with her wings.

87 RAINBOW DASH
Okay, but you still shouldn't be working.

88 PINKIE PIE
Yeah. You better get to relaxing pronto!

89 APPLEJACK
(APOLOGETIC) You're right. You're
right. I'm sorry, y'all.

90 PINKIE PIE
That's right, you are. (GETTING
SLEEPY) Now sit back down and start
re- (YAWN) -laxing. (FALLING
ASLEEP) That steam really is nice
and... (SNORING)

SC. 7 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - PIG PEN - LATER

Spike tries to lasso a running pig. It immediately yanks him forward, dragging him off.

91 SPIKE
Yee-yow!

There's a CRASH off screen and another pig comes running back the other way with Spike on it's back. Twilight takes in the chaos around them.

92 TWILIGHT
Oh no. No, no, no, no. What do we
do?

Spike stumbles back into frame.

93 SPIKE
Go get Applejack?

94 TWILIGHT
Spike, this is her first spa day
ever and I don't want to interrupt
it.
(bucking up)
I'm sure we can handle this.

Twilight notices a line a pigs munching down rows of planted carrots like a lawn mower cutting grass. She runs to stand in front of them.

95 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Um... Hi. Could you please stop?
I'm pretty sure the Apple Family
needs those!

The pigs just chomp around her.

96 SPIKE
And I'm pretty sure they don't
understand what you're saying.

97 TWILIGHT
(INSPIRED) That's it! Maybe I don't
speak their language, but I know
somepony who does.
(turns)
Spike, how do you feel about going
to the spa?

Off Spike's brightening expression...

SC. 8 - INT. TRANQUILITY STABLES - SEAWEED WRAP ROOM - LATER

Rainbow Dash, Fluttershy and Pinkie Pie are patiently waiting
as Lotus Bloom takes a small sheet of seaweed from a spool
and wraps it around one of Rarity's legs.

98 RARITY
Oh, that feels lovely. I simple
can't wait until every limb is
covered!

99 PINKIE PIE
I know. I can't wait until it's my
turn.

Lotus Bloom SLOWLY takes another small piece of seaweed from
the spool and wraps it around another of Rarity's legs.

100 RAINBOW DASH
At this rate, it won't be any of
our turns until Hearth's Warming
Eve. (COVERING) Not that I care, or
anything. I mean, it probably feels
super weird.

Applejack pops into frame behind Rainbow Dash. She grabs a
spool of seaweed and quickly runs around Dash -- almost
instantly wrapping her from head to hoof in seaweed.

Rainbow Dash flops to the ground.

101 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Sooo warm and cozy -- (CATCHING
HERSELF) if you like that kind of
thing.

Applejack turns to see Pinkie staring at her.

102 APPLEJACK
I know, I'm supposed to be
relaxing.

103 PINKIE PIE
That's right you are!
 (then)
And you can start right after you
do me!

Applejack instantly wraps Pinkie from head to hoof.

104 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
I'm a seaweed mummy!

She tries to take a step, but flops to the ground next to Rainbow Dash. Fluttershy looks to Applejack

105 FLUTTERSHY
(QUIETLY) Uhm. If it wouldn't be
any trouble...

Applejack runs the spool of seaweed around Fluttershy, covering her as well. Fluttershy flops to the ground with the rest.

106 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
(UTTER CONTENTMENT) I feel like a
happy caterpillar still in my
cocoon.

Lotus looks over at the ponies already wrapped up in seaweed.

107 LOTUS BLOOM
(TO APPLEJACK) Do you think you
could teach me to do it like that?

108 APPLEJACK
You bet!

As Applejack starts demonstrating how to wrap Rarity up, unseen by everypony, Fluttershy's seaweed wrapped body lifts up a little bit and starts inching towards the door.

109 FLUTTERSHY
Uhm, excuse me. This seaweed would
prefer to stay put.

REVEAL - Spike underneath.

110 SPIKE
Believe me, I'd rather stay here
too.

Off Fluttershy's look...

SC. 9 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Fluttershy (now free of seaweed) and Spike walk towards the farm.

111 FLUTTERSHY
I'm sure things on the farm aren't
THAT bad.

As they get closer, she sees pigs running around everywhere. Twilight chases a piglet off screen.

112 TWILIGHT
(WHILE RUNNING) Please come back!
Please!

Fluttershy looks up at a pig on the roof of the barn.

113 FLUTTERSHY
But I could be wrong.

They watch as a frazzled Twilight walks back with the piglet in her arms. She carefully places it in the wallow.

114 TWILIGHT
Okay. One down and a whole lot to
go.

As soon as Twilight takes a step away, the piglet goes running back out. Twilight looks down, dejected.

Fluttershy walks up and addresses the pig on the roof.

115 FLUTTERSHY
Excuse me, Mr. Pig but that's very
dangerous. Could you come down
please?

The pig walks over to a low part of the roof and hops down, via some hay bails. Twilight rushes up.

116 TWILIGHT
Fluttershy! Do you think you can
convince all of the pigs to get
into their wallow?

117 FLUTTERSHY
No problem.

Fluttershy walks away and the roof pig follows. Twilight shoots a relieved smiles at Spike.

118 TWILIGHT
See? I told you we could handle it.

Apple Bloom and Big Mac walk over. They look at the garden the pigs have half eaten.

119 APPLE BLOOM
What happened to our vegetables?

120 TWILIGHT
There was a slight pig problem, but
it's all under control now.

She points over at Fluttershy who has the pigs lining up to get into the wallow.

121 APPLE BLOOM
Well, I guess that's something.

Apple Bloom looks up at the hot sun.

122 APPLE BLOOM (CONT'D)
But you should probably get to
watering the garden before the sun
dries out what the pigs didn't eat.

Big Mac points to the irrigation system's valve and bellows.

123 TWILIGHT
We're on it.

Twilight and Spike rush over. Twilight turns on the valve, and then jumps on the bellows. Suddenly, they see water trickling out of a leak in the pipe.

124 SPIKE
Uh, Twilight?

Twilight walks over and looks at the leak.

125 TWILIGHT
Maybe it's supposed to do that?

Big Mac sticks his head in.

126 BIG MAC
Nope.

Suddenly, the leak turns into a jet of water - which hits Twilight right in the face. She fights through the stream and sticks a hoof in the hole. This causes the two even stronger streams to blast out of holes. One blasts Spike straight through the wall of the chicken coop. Feathers fly as chickens escape, running everywhere.

ANGLE ON: Right outside the mud pit.

Fluttershy looks down at her orderly line of pigs.

127 FLUTTERSHY
Thanks again, everyone. I really
do appreciate this.

Suddenly, a stream of water knocks Fluttershy through the pigs like a bowling ball through pins. As she lands in the mud pit, Twilights run up just in time to see the pigs scattering again. A second later, a chicken runs by with Spike chasing after it.

128 TWILIGHT
(calling after)
Spike, you may as well head back to
the spa.

Spike walks back on screen smiling, hopefully.

129 SPIKE
Really?

130 TWILIGHT
It looks like we're going to need
more help.

Off Spike's crestfallen expression...

SC. 10 - INT. TRANQUILITY STABLES - MINERAL POOLS - LATER

Rarity, Pinkie Pie, Rainbow Dash and Applejack walk into a room with a mineral pool beneath a large stained glass window. SUNLIGHT streams in through the window illuminating the pool. There are large pots of fresh flowers scattered all around the room and a wooden rack for robes in the corner.

131 RARITY
After the steam room and a warm
seaweed wrap, there's nothing
better than soaking in a nice, cool
mineral pool.

132 RAINBOW DASH
(almost Rarity-esque)
That sounds just delightful--
(off the others' looks)
I mean, you know, it sounds cool.

The three walk over to the pool and each stick a hoof in, then instantly yank them back out.

133 RARITY/PINKIE PIE/RAINBOW DASH
Yow! / Hottie-hottie-hot-hot! /
Ouch!

134 RARITY
 (agitated)
Well that is the exact opposite of
cool-- which is an absolutely
unacceptable state for a cool
mineral pool.

Aloe runs in, struggling as she pushes a big block of ICE.

135 ALOE
Sorry! So sorry! The pools here
keep heating up and we just don't
know why.

136 APPLEJACK (O.S.)
Hold on just a tick.

Applejack disappears off screen. Aloe stops pushing the ice
and joins the others looking off screen amid sounds of
BANGING, SAWING, and HAMMERING.

137 ALOE
What are you--

REVEAL - Applejack holding a flower covered trestle she's
made from the robe racks and potted plants.

In one quick motion, she places it front of the stained glass
window, shading the pool, then bucks the giant block of ice
into the water. Rarity dips a hoof in.

138 RAINBOW DASH
Darling, it's perfect!

Applejack points to the trestle.

139 APPLEJACK
And without the sun heating it up
all the time, it'll stay that way.

Dash slides down until the water's up to her neck.

140 RAINBOW DASH
<DEEP SIGH OF CONTENTMENT>

The others all stare at her.

141 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
 (self-conscious)
What?

Aloe turns to Applejack.

142 ALOE
You know, we have a few other
trouble spots if you wouldn't mind
taking a look?

Fluttershy talks to Aloe as she and the others submerge
themselves in the pool and don cucumber slices.

143 FLUTTERSHY
On any other day, I'm sure
Applejack would love to help you
but today she's going to relax...

Fluttershy lifts one cucumber to see Aloe and Applejack are
already gone. From the next room, we hear more CONSTRUCTION
SOUNDS.

144 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
Eventually.

Rainbow Dash, Rarity and Pinkie Pie all lean back for a good
soak. Suddenly a trail of bubbles appears and heads toward
Rainbow Dash.

Spike's head pops up, wearing a mask and snorkel.

145 SPIKE
(QUIETLY) Pssst. Rainbow Dash.

146 RAINBOW DASH
(lifting her cucumbers)
Spike?

147 SPIKE
(QUIETLY) Twilight needs your help.

148 RAINBOW DASH
Oh.
(loath to go)
So, do we have to leave right now?

Off Spike's cook of consternation...

SC. 11 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Rainbow Dash stands next to Spike, staring at the chaos, with
her mouth hanging open. Apple Bloom's stuck upsidedown in a
barrel, with her feet flailing in the air. Chickens run past
Fluttershy as she tries unsuccessfully to start conversations
with them.

149 FLUTTERSHY
Excuse me, Miss chicken, but if I
could have a moment of-- (TO
ANOTHER CHICKEN) If you could just
slow down for a--

A chicken runs by being chased by Big Mac, who's being chased
by a pig pulling a plow, who's being chased by Twilight.

150 RAINBOW DASH
(to Spike)
Maybe we should get Applejack.

Big Mac walks back on screen holding the barrel. He shakes
it and Apple Bloom falls out onto the ground.

151 APPLE BLOOM
Twilight said not to.

152 RAINBOW DASH
But look at this place! It's pretty
obvious the farm can't run without
her.

153 BIG MAC
Eeyup.

Twilight rushes into frame.

154 TWILIGHT
But Applejack never takes a day off
and if we can't handle this, she
might never take another one. All
we need to do is catch the
chickens, coral the pigs, clean up
and...

155 SPIKE
Do the rest of the chores we don't
know about.

156 RAINBOW DASH
All right. Fluttershy and I will
handle the animals.

157 APPLE BLOOM
And we'll start cleaning.

Twilight looks over at the fence in need of patching. A spool
of chicken wire lays next to it.

158 TWILIGHT
And I think I see what Spike and I
can take care of next.

Twilight and Spike rush over to the fence. Using her magic, she lifts up the spool.

159 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Okay, we just need to get a little
bit off for a patch.

She concentrates and the piece of chicken wire stretches - but she can't tear it off.

160 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Wow. That's tough stuff. (STEELING
HERSELF) All right.

She concentrates even harder. The piece of chicken wire stretches and then snaps suddenly. Surprised, Twilight loses her concentration. The spool goes flying straight into a fence post, knocking it over.

161 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Well, at least we got the piece we
needed. Now we can fix the fence.

162 SPIKE
Um... Twilight?

Spike points to the falling post as it creates a domino effect - taking down the entire fence (knocking the SLEEPING ROOSTER from the teaser to the ground-- still sleeping).

163 TWILIGHT
Or not.

Off Twilight's look of disbelief...

END OF ACT 2

ACT 3

SC. 12 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Twilight, Rainbow Dash, Fluttershy, Spike, Apple Bloom and Big Mac look at the chaos all around them.

164 TWILIGHT
Okay. New plan.

165 ALL
Get Applejack?

166 TWILIGHT
I'm sure if we all put our heads
together, we can figure something
out. I know today turned out to be
harder than I thought, but--

Twilight accidentally steps on the sleeping rooster. It
wakes up and immediately starts to COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO at the
top of its lungs.

REVEAL - Granny Smith in her rocker, waking up with a start.

167 GRANNY APPLE
What in tarnation is going on!

Granny Smith looks out at her farm, now descended into chaos.

168 GRANNY APPLE (CONT'D)
Looks to me like some fool pony
convinced Applejack to take the day
off!

169 TWILIGHT
It's okay, Granny. I mean... it's
just... all we need to do is...

170 GRANNY SMITH
Why, you're more stubborn than a
three-toed mule. You need to stop
yer lip flapping and find
Applejack.

171 TWILIGHT
(RELENTING) You're right. I know.
I just feel bad. I bet by this
point, she's so relaxed, the last
thing she wants to do is get back
to work.

SC. 13 - INT. TRANQUILITY STABLES - RECEPTION AREA - LATER

Twilight, Rainbow Dash, Fluttershy and Spike enter the
reception area and are shocked to find Applejack behind the
front desk dressed like a spa employee.

172 APPLEJACK
Welcome to Tranquility Stables your
oasis of serenity and relaxation,
ya'll.

173 TWILIGHT
But--

Applejack turns and nods to a patiently waiting Lotus Bloom and Aloe. They run over to Twilight, Rainbow Dash, Fluttershy and Spike and in a blink of an eye, they're all instantly dressed in robes and slippers -- and each holding a glass of spa water. Rarity pokes her head in the room.

174 RARITY
That last treatment was simply
divine. Can I book another --
(NOTICING TWILIGHT) Twilight! I'm
so glad you've finished and could
join us -- especially now that
Applejack is running the place.
 (aside)
This place is ever so much better
now that she's in charge! I mean,
look at Pinkie Pie.

They turn to see a very calm and sedate Pinkie Pie walking by. Even her hair is relaxed, laying flat around her, a bit like Cousin Itt from the Adams Family.

175 PINKIE PIE
(SLOWLY AND IN AN OCTAVE LOWER)
Heeeey. How's everypony doing?

176 TWILIGHT
(CONFUSED) Applejack's running the
spa? (TO APPLEJACK) Is there
somewhere we can talk for a second?

Applejack consults a clipboard in front of her.

177 APPLEJACK
Of course. Right this way, Ma'am.
(TO LOTUS BLOOM) LB, I need you on
the front desk.

178 LOTUS BLOOM
No problem, boss.

SC. 14 - INT. TRANQUILITY STABLES - MANI/PEDI ROOM - LATER

As Twilight soaks two of her hooves in bowls, Applejack files the other two.

179 TWILIGHT
Applejack, I thought you were
supposed to be relaxing. What's
going--

180 APPLEJACK
Shhh. Here at Tranquility Stables,
we're focused on the client. You
seem stressed. What's going on?

181 TWILIGHT
Well, it's about the farm. You
see, first I had trouble getting
the pigs into the wallow--

182 APPLEJACK
Yep. Those pigs sure can put up a
fight. I have to make a trail of
apples for them every time I wanna
get them in the wallow. It sure
tires a pony out.

183 TWILIGHT
And then I had a problem with the
water.

184 APPLEJACK
I reckon you did. If I don't cover
the leaks just right, that water
goes plum everywhere.

185 TWILIGHT
And when I tried to mend the fence--

186 APPLEJACK
Oh, yeah. Sometimes it's a real
wrasslin' match to patch those
holes.

Aloe and Lotus Bloom run in.

187 LOTUS BLOOM
Applejack, the spa's officially
booked up for the next twenty
moons!

188 ALOE
And more importantly, every pony
leaves here with a smile on their
face. Thank you so much for your
help! All those things you
improved -- I have no idea why we
never did them ourselves.

189 APPLEJACK
You were just so used to doing the
same thing the same way for so
long, you didn't even realize there
was a problem.

(MORE)

APPLEJACK (CONT'D)

Ya'll just needed to take a step back from all the hussin' and the fussin' to see how much extra work you were making for yourselves.

190 TWILIGHT
(REMINDING) Applejack, about the farm...

Applejack suddenly realizes something.

191 APPLEJACK
The farm! You're right. I've been doing the exact same thing!

With that, Applejack races out. Off Twilight's puzzled expression...

SC. 15 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Twilight, Rarity, Pinkie Pie, Rainbow Dash, Fluttershy and the Apple Family watch in amazement as Applejack is a whirlwind of activity.

Applejack runs over to the irrigation system carrying a hoofful of new pipes. There's a cloud of action as she fixes/swaps out the leaky pipes. The cloud clears and Applejack steps away from irrigation system -- revealing it's full of replacement pipes. Applejack turns a valve, jumps on the bellows and stands back. The pipes are now leak free.

ANGLE ON: The wallow.

Applejack dips her hoof in the mud, then turns to the pigs.

192 APPLEJACK
Well, I don't blame you, that mud's way too warm.

Applejack dips out of frame and reappears a second later, pushing a giant haystack behind the wallow. It blocks the sun and covers the wallow in shade.

193 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
(TO PIGS) That should cool it down for ya.

A pig dips his hoof in the mud and then happily jumps in. The rest of the pigs follow suit and can't throw themselves into the wallow fast enough.

ON FLUTTERSHY WITH A PIG:

194 FLUTTERSHY
You could have just told me it was
hot.

ANGLE ON: A section of the broken fence.

Just like she did with the seaweed wrap, Applejack grabs a spool of fencing and quickly circles the farm with it.

SC. 16 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Fluttershy, Rarity, Pinkie Pie and Twilight along with the Apple Family are gathered around a picnic table as Granny Smith serves plates of food.

195 TWILIGHT
This looks amazing!

196 PINKIE PIE
(WITH A MOUTHFUL OF FOOD) More of
everything, please.

197 FLUTTERSHY
Granny, everything is so delicious.

198 GRANNY SMITH
Well, I'll pass that along to the
chef.

199 RARITY
The chef? Goodness, who is that?

Applejack walks out holding a freshly baked pie.

200 APPLEJACK
Me!

201 PINKIE PIE
(SPITTING OUT FOOD IN SHOCK) What?!

202 APPLEJACK
Now that I cut out all that
needless work, I have time for all
kinds of things.

203 TWILIGHT
Well then thank you for this
wonderful meal.

204 APPLEJACK
No, thank you - (TO ALL) thank you
all for being great friends. That
spa day was exactly what I needed.

205 RARITY
Applejack, what are you talking
about? You didn't relax at all.

206 APPLEJACK
Like I said, I didn't need to. But
sometimes a pony does need a little
time away from their routine to get
a new perspective.

207 TWILIGHT
Well, Spike, maybe you and I should
try a spa day ourselves...

Twilight realizes that Spike isn't sitting at the table with
them.

208 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Hey, where is Spike?

209 APPLEJACK
Oh. Well, I think he has a bit of
head start on you...

SC. 17 - INT. TRANQUILITY STABLES - MINERAL POOLS - DAY

Spike is happily relaxing in the mineral pool with cucumber
slices over his eyes.

210 SPIKE
(RELAXED AND CONTENT) Two words--

We pull back to reveal that Rainbow Dash is next to him.

211 RAINBOW DASH
(RELAXED) Spa day.

As they both sigh in utter contentment, we...

FADE OUT.

THE END.