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TEASER

SC. 1 - INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE - DAY

PINKIE PIE and RAINBOW DASH enter to find the rest of the Mane 6 and SPIKE spread around the room in twos and threes. The others can tell from the way Pinkie is bouncing around and the look on her face that something's up.

1 APPLEJACK
What's going on, Pinkie? You look
like you're fixin' to burst.

Pinkie Pie looks at Rainbow Dash with big eyes and SQUEALS through clenched teeth. Dash turns to the group.

2 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What is it, Dash?

3 RAINBOW DASH
Aw, you know how Pinkie gets. She's
just excited because I told her I
had some news-

4 PINKIE PIE
(bounces a little faster)
Some really, really, REALLY big
news!!

5 RAINBOW DASH
(giving her a look)
-And she wants to do her whole
celebration thing. But it's really
no big deal-

6 PINKIE PIE
(bounces a little higher)
Except it's totally the biggest
deal ever!!

7 RAINBOW DASH
-So I made her promise to let me
tell you myself without all the
hoopla.

8 RARITY
Well, do tell, darling. We're all
simply agog with anticipation!

9 PINKIE PIE
(on the edge of total
freakout)
You should be agog!
(MORE)

PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)

You should be all the gogs! Every
gog you've ever gogged!

10 RAINBOW DASH
(a stern look)
Pinkie!

11 PINKIE PIE
(stops bouncing, calm)
Sorry! Continue.

12 RAINBOW DASH
So, I was talking to Spitfire at
our Wonderbolt Reservists meeting
today and I decided it's time to
move on -- I'm leaving the
Reserves.

13 APPLEJACK
What?

14 FLUTTERSHY
You quit?!

15 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What happened?

16 RARITY
Why on earth would you quit the
Wonderbolt Reserves?!

17 RAINBOW DASH
Now hold on! I didn't quit! Just
the opposite, really.

Dash can't play it cool any longer. A huge smile lights up
her face as she opens her mouth, but Pinkie DIVES in front of
her as she whips out her confetti cannon and fires it while
simultaneously throwing streamers in the air.

18 PINKIE PIE
Rainbow Dash finally became an
official, full-fledged, one-hundred-
percent Wonderbolt!!!

Everyone follows Pinkie's gaze as she turns to Dash.

19 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Sorry. I couldn't hold it in any
longer.

As the rest of the Mane 6 gape at Dash, OFF Pinkie blowing a
noisemaker...

END TEASER

MAIN TITLES

ACT ONE

SC. 2 - INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE - RESUMING

Everypony has gathered around Rainbow Dash to congratulate her.

20 SPIKE
Congratulations, Rainbow Dash! I
know how much this means to you.

21 RARITY
Well, I, for one, say that it's
long overdue.

22 APPLEJACK
Yeah, you've been working toward
this since you were a foal.

23 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
So what happened, Rainbow Dash?
Tell us all about it.

Dash has been basking in their admiration and is feeling very puffed up.

24 RAINBOW DASH
Not much to tell, really. Spitfire
told me one of the Wonderbolts left
the team and did I want the spot,
since I'm so awesome and all.

25 APPLEJACK
Who left?

26 PINKIE PIE
(popping into frame)
Surprise!!

27 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Pinkie, you already told us Dash is
a Wonderbolt. It's not a surprise
anymore.

28 PINKIE PIE
No, that's the name of the pony
Rainbow Dash is replacing!

29 MANE SIX
Ohhh.

30 RARITY
 (to Dash)
So what do you do now, dear?

31 RAINBOW DASH
I have to report to Wonderbolts
Headquarters this afternoon. They
have a show in a few days and I
need to learn the routine.

32 PINKIE PIE
You're leaving already?! But I only
just started planning your
congratulations party! I haven't
even thought about your going away
party yet.

 (thinking)
Though I assume you'd want at least
fifty purple and blue balloons, and
cupcakes with each of the
Wonderbolts on them, and a banner,
and a marching band--

33 RAINBOW DASH
Pinkie, I'm not leaving Ponyville.
I just have to train for this show.

34 FLUTTERSHY
I hope everything goes well. It
sounds like a lot of pressure to
step into.

35 APPLEJACK
Yeah, good luck, Dash!

36 RAINBOW DASH
Luck? Save that for the rest of the
team. Now that my awesomeness has
finally been recognized, the other
Wonderbolts will have to keep up or
eat my cloud-trail.

37 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Everypony knows you're a great
flier, Rainbow Dash, and no one
deserves this spot more than you.
But it might be more challenging
than you think.

38 RAINBOW DASH
You're right. I mean, do I show up
wearing sunglasses or not? Normally
sunglasses are automatically cool,
but all the Wonderbolts wear them,
so maybe I'd stand out more if I
didn't.

39 RARITY
Oh, I have ever so many ideas I've
been saving for just this moment...

OFF Twilight, shaking her head and smiling as the others
gather tighter around Dash...

SC. 3 - EXT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - LATER

A compound in the clouds - Quonset hut, landing strip, etc.
SPITFIRE leads Dash from the office building across the
airfield to the barracks, pointing things out along the way.

40 SPITFIRE
Team briefings are every morning--

41 RAINBOW DASH
--At oh eight hundred. I know.

42 SPITFIRE
Right. And over here is the mess
hall and barracks--

43 RAINBOW DASH
--Built by Admiral Fairweather
himself!

Dash makes to race over excitedly, but Spitfire holds her
back with a hoof.

44 SPITFIRE
Hold on there, Newbie. Rule number
one - always check both ways before
crossing the runway.

Spitfire looks left and right, then precedes across. Dash
follows her glances, confused.

45 RAINBOW DASH
But nopony else is here!

46 SPITFIRE
We muster in ten minutes, so
everypony will be showing up soon.
(MORE)

SPITFIRE (CONT'D)

And most of the Wonderbolts like to make a flashy entrance. Trust me, it's a good habit to get into.

47 RAINBOW DASH
 (whatever)
Sure...

Spitfire leads them into the Quonset hut.

SC. 4 - INT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - BARRACKS - CONTINUOUS

A common area in front with several bunks in the bg and a door to a kitchen off to one side. Dash notices a display case with a military cap and other memorabilia inside.

48 RAINBOW DASH
Whoa! Is that General Flash's cap?!

Dash races over to check it out, enraptured. Spitfire saunters up behind her.

49 SPITFIRE
And the original crest with the Wonderbolts' motto on it.

50 RAINBOW DASH/SPITFIRE
"Equus altius pluribus."

51 RAINBOW DASH
 (geeking out)
WOW!!
 (trying to rein it in)
I mean, cool.

Spitfire gives Dash a knowing look.

52 SPITFIRE
Okay, newbie, we've got a show in two days, which means you've gotta hustle your haunches to learn this routine. You've got five minutes to get dressed and get outside to meet the rest of the team.

53 RAINBOW DASH
 (snapping to attention)
Yes, ma'am! I'll have all the moves down by the end of the day.

54 SPITFIRE
Let's hope so. We're all expecting you to make quite an impression.

Spitfire exits. OFF Dash...

SC. 5 - INT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - BARRACKS - MOMENTS LATER

Dash stands in front of a mirror in her full Wonderbolts regalia, admiring her reflection.

55 RAINBOW DASH
Lookin' good!
 (then, nervous)
Okay, you're about to take your
first flight as an actual
Wonderbolt. No pressure. Just gotta
go out there and knock 'em off
their hooves.

She rolls her head and shakes the nerves out of her legs,
then takes one last look in the mirror.

56 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
 (more confident)
Okay, Wonderbolts, get ready to
meet your most awesome member ever!

She steps out to...

SC. 6 - EXT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - TARMAC - CONTINUOUS

Dash sees Spitfire, MISTY FLY and a few Others across the tarmac, and heads over in her coolest Rainbow Dash strut.

57 SPITFIRE
 (alarmed)
Hey! Look out!!

Dash turns just in time to see SOARIN and FLEETFOOT bearing down on her. She has to dive out of the way to avoid being hit, and lands in a garbage can. The can topples over and rolls, with her in it, to a stop in front of Spitfire and the rest of the Wonderbolts, who can't help but laugh as she sits there, dizzy and covered in garbage.

58 MISTY FLY
Whoa! Most awesome entrance by a
newbie ever!

Soarin and Fleetfoot land as Dash gets to her feet and shakes the trash off her mane and back.

59 SOARIN
Are you okay, Rainbow Dash?!

60 FLEETFOOT
More like Rainbow *Crash!*

Chuckles from the others at this. Dash blushes angrily, then:

61 RAINBOW DASH
What's the deal? You guys buzzed me
deliberately!

62 SPITFIRE
Not quite. You forgot rule number
one, newbie -

63 EVERYPONY
(chanting)
"Always check both ways before
crossing the runway."

Dash looks abashed, realizing it was her fault.

64 RAINBOW DASH
(head down, softly)
Sorry.

65 SPITFIRE
All right, nopony got hurt and
we've got a lot to do today, so
let's forget about this and get
flying.

As the ponies take to the air, Misty Fly pats Dash good-naturedly on the back.

66 MISTY FLY
Classic rookie move, Crash. That
was amazing.

She beams at Dash, who gives a weak smile in return. OFF
Dash, hesitantly taking flight...

SC. 7 - EXT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - SKY - QUICK CUTS

A series of quick shots shows Dash struggling to overcome her disastrous debut.

-Six Bolts fly in a double chevron formation, but Dash is flying a little low.

67 SPITFIRE (O.S.)
Higher, Crash! You're breaking
formation!

-The Bolts weave in and out of each other's space, practicing a crossing pattern. Dash zooms along, when Soarin enters frame from her left, on a blindside collision course.

68 SOARIN
Check your nine, Crash!

Dash whips around to see Soarin closing in on her. She zips out of the way just in time, but is obviously shaken.

-Dash and two other Bolts zoom toward camera in a three-pronged formation. As they bank, angle on Spitfire, megaphone in hoof:

69 SPITFIRE
Tighter, Crash! Get in there!

70 RAINBOW DASH
(frustrated)
My name's not Crash!

Dash edges toward the pony near her, but she's rattled and gets too close. Their hooves CLICK and they go spiralling off in different directions, knocking the third pony out of position too.

71 WONDERBOLT #1
You coulda fooled me!

OFF Dash, pulling out of her spin and trying to mentally recover...

SC. 8 - INT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - BARRACKS - DUSK

The Wonderbolts minus Spitfire file into the barracks after a long practice. Dash enters last, dejected, but puts on a game face, resolved to turn it around.

72 RAINBOW DASH
Hey guys, I know it was a tough day today, but if I can pull off a Sonic Rainboom, I can learn this routine.

73 FLEETFOOT
Tough day? Not for us, Crash.
(chuckles)
But don't sweat it. There's always tomorrow.

Spitfire enters and spots Dash.

74 SPITFIRE
Rainbow Dash, over here, please.

Dash trots over, worried by the tone of Spitfire's voice.

75 RAINBOW DASH
Yes, ma'am?

76 SPITFIRE
I'm glad you're still here.

77 RAINBOW DASH
 (perking up)
Oh yeah?

78 SPITFIRE
Yeah. We have one more rule I
didn't get to tell you about
earlier - worst flier of the day
has to clean up the whole compound.

She points to a push broom and trash can in the corner.

79 SPITFIRE (CONT'D)
And today that's you, Crash. Better
get to it.

Spitfire exits as the other Bolts look on.

80 RAINBOW DASH
 (dejected)
That's not my name.

OFF Dash, crushed...

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 9 - EXT. SKY - NIGHT

Dash laments her disastrous day as she flies back home.

81 RAINBOW DASH
Unbelievable! After everything else
that happened today, I had to clean
the whole compound! I bet no other
Wonderbolt ever had such a terrible
first day.

She tries to shake it off as she descends and lands...

SC. 10 - EXT./INT. CLOUDOMINIUM - CONTINUOUS

Dash lands outside her home.

82 RAINBOW DASH
I'm just glad none of my friends
were there to see it.

She enters and flips the lights on to see the place decorated
in Pinkie party chic and the rest of the Mane 6 and Spike
gathered in the middle of the room.

83 EVERYPONY
Surprise!!

84 RAINBOW DASH
Whoa!

85 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
We hope you don't mind, Rainbow
Dash. We know you're probably
tired, but Pinkie really wanted to
throw you a party.

86 PINKIE PIE
Your Best Day EVER party!!!

87 RAINBOW DASH
(awkward)
Hehe. Yeah. It was something, all
right.

88 APPLEJACK
Well, we can't wait to hear all
about it.

89 RAINBOW DASH
And I'd love to tell you. I really
would. But I am pretty beat. You
know, from all the excitement of my
big day.

Dash's friends know her, and can tell something's up.

90 FLUTTERSHY
Um, is something wrong, Rainbow
Dash?

91 RAINBOW DASH
Whaaat? Of course not! I'm finally
a Wonderbolt, which means
everything has to be totally
perfectly awesome.

92 RARITY
Oh dear, something is wrong. What
happened, darling?

Dash knows there's no point in pretending any longer and lets
it all out in a torrent.

93 RAINBOW DASH
I made a total fool out of myself
as soon as I got there and now the
other Wonderbolts all call me
"Rainbow Crash!" The same terrible
nickname ponies used to call me
growing up in Cloudsdale!

94 FLUTTERSHY
Oh no!

95 RAINBOW DASH
And it's even worse now. Growing up
the other ponies called me Crash
'cause they were jealous. But the
Wonderbolts are the best of the
best, and if they call me that, it
means they think I'm just a dumb
newbie.

96 PINKIE PIE
There's no way anypony would think
Rainbow Dash isn't an amazing
flier.

97 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Pinkie's right. Everypony knows you
deserve to be a Wonderbolt. You're
probably just blowing things out of
proportion.

98 RAINBOW DASH
I fell into a garbage can.

The other Mane Six react - that's pretty bad.

99 PINKIE PIE
Well, look at the bright side - at
least they didn't call you Rainbow
Trash!

100 APPLEJACK
 (ignoring Pinkie)
So you got started off on the wrong
hoof. No big deal. I bet every new
Wonderbolt has a tough first day.

101 RAINBOW DASH
More like an epically awful first day.

102 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I'm sure if you go back tomorrow and fly how you normally do, the other Wonderbolts will forget all about today.

103 RAINBOW DASH
I doubt it.
 (dejected)
I'm gonna be Rainbow Crash for the rest of my life.

The others exchange concerned looks.

104 RARITY
You just need to find a positive way to stand out, darling. As soon as you're known for something else, that old nickname will be forgotten.

105 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Rarity's right. Why don't you think of the Wonderbolts like us - we're a team, but we all stand out in different ways.

An idea strikes Rainbow Dash, emphasized by Pinkie Pie exploding a confetti-laden balloon over her head.

106 RAINBOW DASH
That's it!

107 PINKIE PIE
I know, right? Popping balloons is even more fun than blowing them up!

108 RAINBOW DASH
No, I mean I know how to turn things around with the Wonderbolts! I'm gonna stand out in a different way - just like you guys! Goodbye, Rainbow Crash, hello, Queen Wonderbolt!

OFF the rest of the Mane 6, unsure of what this means...

SC. 11 - INT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - BARRACKS - NEXT MORNING

Fleetfoot and a few other Wonderbolts walk into the barracks to make their morning power smoothies. They flip on the light to find Rainbow Dash standing in the middle of the room and the whole place decked out with streamers and balloons. Dash blows a noisemaker and starts bouncing around the room doing her best Pinkie Pie impression.

109 RAINBOW DASH
Good morning, everypony! Who's
ready for a fantastic day of
flying? I know I am!!

ON the other ponies, dumbfounded. Dash keeps going.

110 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
I just couldn't be more excited for
the big show tomorrow. Are you guys
excited? I'm excited! Actually, I'm
always excited! Some ponies even
call me "Dynamic Dash" because I'm
so full of energy all the time!

Dash pauses and looks hopefully at Fleetfoot, who just blows confetti out of her mane.

111 FLEETFOOT
Wonderbolts don't get excited,
Crash. You gotta keep a level head
to fly the way we do.

Dash crinkles her nose in frustration, then changes tacks, slipping into an Applejack drawl.

112 RAINBOW DASH
Well, of course I know that! But
the truth of the matter is, you
should be excited. It's the dream
of near every little Pegasus pony
to grow up and fly with the
Wonderbolts, and here y'all are
doing it.

113 FLEETFOOT
So are you.

114 RAINBOW DASH
True. And go ahead and call me
"Forthright Filly" if you want, but
shucks, I like to tell it like it
is.

(MORE)

RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)

And I believe a pony oughta
appreciate hard work paying off
like this, because being a
Wonderbolt is something special.

115 WONDERBOLT #2
 (unmoved, walks past her)
We know.

Off Dash, stymied - strike one...

SC. 12 - EXT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - MOMENTS LATER

Spitfire stands on the runway going over the details of a
maneuver with a pair of Wonderbolts. Dash approaches,
carrying a book.

116 RAINBOW DASH
 (a la Twilight)
You know, I was just reading about
how dihedral wing angles can help
increase stability in banking
turns. It made me think that pre-
flight checklists could really help
increase our efficiency, so I went
ahead and made them for everyone.

She pulls a checklist out of the book and holds it out to
Spitfire.

117 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
I'm always finding so much
interesting information in books.
In fact, a lot of ponies call me
"Reading Rainboom."

Dash smiles hopefully at Spitfire, who pulls out a megaphone
and yells at her from a foot away, blasting the checklist
from her hoof and blowing her mane back.

118 SPITFIRE
We all know how wings work, newbie!
Now get off the tarmac!

Dash slips into a submissive Fluttershy whisper as she
hesitantly backs away.

119 RAINBOW DASH
I'm so sorry. I was just trying to
help because I care about all of
the Wonderbolts oh so much.
Yesiree, just call me "Care Mare."
 (off Spitfire's glare)
 (MORE)

RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Um, but if you're busy now I can
just come back later.
(the glare intensifies)
Or, you know, not at all.

Off Dash, slinking away, head down - strike two...

SC. 13 - EXT. WONDERBOLTS HQ - MOMENTS LATER

Rainbow Dash sees Soarin and another Wonderbolt exiting the barracks.

120 RAINBOW DASH
(to herself)
Okay, third time's the charm.

She sashays over to them, doing her version of Rarity's high-society accent.

121 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
I must tell you how much I just
love those uniforms! Why, ever
since I was a foal I've admired the
mixture of bold lines and classic
contours. But they don't call me
"Rainbow Fash" for nothing - I've
got some ideas that will not only
improve their function but will
look marvelous too!

122 SOARIN
(dumbfounded)
Uh...

123 RAINBOW DASH
(scrambling not to lose
him)
The "Fash" is for fashion.

124 SPITFIRE (O.S.)
Rainbow Dash!

Dash turns to see Spitfire beckoning from in front of her office. Dash trots over.

125 SPITFIRE (CONT'D)
I'm not sure why you're acting like
this, but you need to stop.

126 RAINBOW DASH
 (normal voice)
I was just hoping you guys would
give me a new nickname. I hate
being called "Rainbow Crash."

127 SPITFIRE
Ha! Well, you're gonna love this
then.

Spitfire reaches behind her and pulls out a bomber jacket.
She holds it up so Dash can see it's embroidered on the left
side of the chest.

128 RAINBOW DASH
 (reading)
"Crash."

Dash takes it reluctantly, a look of horror on her face.

129 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Couldn't you just put my regular
name on it?

130 SPITFIRE
That's not how it works around
here. We all have our nicknames on
our jackets.
 (yelling to Soarin)
Right, Clipper?

131 RAINBOW DASH
Clipper?

132 SOARIN
Right, boss!

133 SPITFIRE
So now it's official. Welcome to
the Wonderbolts, Crash!

Spitfire CHUCKLES and trots off. OFF Dash, staring down at
the jacket - strike three...

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 14 - EXT. PONYVILLE - THE NEXT DAY

The Mane 6 (minus Dash) and Spike walk and talk through town.

134 PINKIE PIE
I can't wait to see Rainbow Dash's first performance as an honest to goodness Wonderbolt!

135 SPIKE
I know! I'm almost as excited as Pinkie Pie!

136 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
We all are, Spike.

137 APPLEJACK
Wild buffaloes couldn't drag me away from this show.

138 PINKIE PIE
I hope there's cotton candy!

139 FLUTTERSHY
We should all remember to be extra supportive for Rainbow Dash, too.

140 RARITY
Excellent point, dear. It's simply dreadful that she's had such a hard time after finally achieved her dream.

141 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Rainbow Dash is a pretty resilient pony. I'm sure she's shaken off her tough first day and turned it around by now.

Dash zips overhead, heading somewhere with purpose. Applejack spots her.

142 APPLEJACK
Speaking of - hey Dash!

Dash spots the gang and pulls up, hovering above them.

143 RAINBOW DASH
Hey there! You guys heading to the show?

144 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Of course! Shouldn't you be getting ready?

145 RAINBOW DASH
Oh, I am! And trust me, you guys
want to get good seats because
you're gonna be knocked on your
haunches when you see me up there!
 (a sly smile)
The other Wonderbolts will be too!

146 RARITY
 (unsure)
Does that mean practice went well
yesterday?

147 RAINBOW DASH
Actually, it went horribly. But
don't worry, I've got a plan
guaranteed to turn it all around.

Dash zips off as the others exchange looks - this isn't good.

SC. 15 - EXT. BLUFF - LATER

Dash alights on a small bluff to find SCOOTALOO waiting for her in front of a makeshift ramp near the edge of the cliff.

148 SCOOTALOO
I finished the ramp just like you
asked, Rainbow Dash. Whaddaya
think?

149 RAINBOW DASH
Looks great! And I got the last
thing we need.

Dash pulls a small storm cloud from behind her and pushes it to the end of the ramp.

150 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Now do you remember the plan?

151 SCOOTALOO
 (by rote)
The Wonderbolts are going to fly
over this ridge right before the
finale of the show. You'll fly by
last, and when you signal me, I'll
take off on my scooter, zip up the
ramp and kick the storm cloud out
into your path.

152 RAINBOW DASH
 (taking over)
That kick will shoot off a
lightning bolt right behind me,
making me look totally awesome! And
then I'll do some incredible
Rainbow Dash flying with it to
create the coolest, show-
stoppingest, lightning-tastic light
show anypony has ever seen!

153 SCOOTALOO
Awesome!

154 RAINBOW DASH
No way anypony will call me "Crash"
after this. Rainbow Flash, maybe.
Yeah, I can make that work.

ANGLE ON: the stands below. Dash sees ponies filing in.

155 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Oof, gotta go! Be ready for me,
okay, Scootaloo?

156 SCOOTALOO
Um, one question, Rainbow Dash - is
this actually supposed to be part
of the show?

157 RAINBOW DASH
Don't worry, Scoot. After the
Wonderbolts realize how awesome I
am, I'm sure it'll be part of the
show from now on.

Dash flies off. OFF Scootaloo, unsure...

SC. 16 - EXT. STANDS - MOMENTS LATER

Twilight, Applejack, Rarity and Fluttershy shuffle in and
take their seats.

158 ANNOUNCER (V.O.)
Fillies and gentlecolts, and foals
of all ages, look to the skies and
prepare to be awestruck by the
incredible flying prowess of... the
Wonderbolts!!

159 FLUTTERSHY
Oh no! I hope Spike and Pinkie Pie
are done getting their snacks or
they're going to miss Rainbow Dash!

The audience CHEERS as the Wonderbolts streak low past the stands in an ultra-tight formation, with Dash at the tail.

160 RARITY
Don't worry, Fluttershy. Nothing
would keep Pinkie Pie from missing
this.

161 APPLEJACK
Except maybe cotton candy.

SC. 17 - EXT. CONCESSION STAND - SAME

Spike has a drink in his claw, backpedaling toward the stands as he yells to Pinkie, who waits at the counter:

162 SPIKE
C'mon, Pinkie, the show's starting!

163 PINKIE PIE
One second!
(to unseen worker)
Just a little bit bigger, but
please hurry!

PAN TO: the Concession Pony, who swirls around what is already a comically large cotton candy cone.

164 PINKIE PIE (O.S.) (CONT'D)
Bigger!!

SC. 18 - EXT. STANDS - SAME

Back with the other Mane 6 members as they "Ooh" and "Aah" with the rest of the crowd. The Bolts come out of a loop and bank toward the stands.

165 EVERYPONY
Rainbow Dash!/Go Dash!/Yay!

Dash gives a wink as she flies over them, then the team banks out of sight.

166 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That was amazing! She's doing
great!

167 PINKIE PIE (O.S.)
Bigger!!

SC. 19 - EXT. SKY - CONTINUOUS

Follow the Wonderbolts as they perform some amazing maneuvers. Dash is flying like she normally does and is in perfect formation with the rest of the team. CLOSE ON: Dash, as she looks toward the bluff. She smiles with anticipation as she spots Scootaloo waving frantically at her.

168 RAINBOW DASH
Here we go!

SC. 20 - EXT. BLUFF - SAME

As the Bolts crest the rise and fly over Scootaloo, Dash nods to Scoot.

169 SCOOTALOO
Oh boy!

Scoot jumps on her scooter, builds up speed, flies up the ramp and tailwhips the small storm cloud toward Dash.

SC. 21 - EXT. SKY - SAME

The rest of the Bolts have passed by and Dash is zooming into position, but, unfortunately, Scoot's kick causes the lightning to Flash sooner than Dash expected.

170 RAINBOW DASH
Whoa! Not yet!

Dash lurches sideways to avoid the lightning bolt, which causes her to clip another cloud and careen back and forth off of the bluff, through more clouds, into a flock of birds, and off a tree.

SC. 22 - EXT. STANDS - SAME

The other Wonderbolts look back as they land in front of the stands, drawn by Dash's GRUNTS and GROANS. ANGLE ON: The Mane 6 members in the stands.

171 RARITY
Oh no!

SC. 23 - EXT. SKY - SAME

As Dash pinballs back and forth, tumbling in comedic fashion, the clouds she upsets end up bumping into the original storm cloud and, just as she's about to right herself and get back under control, another bolt of lightning strikes her flank with a FLASH.

172 RAINBOW DASH
Ahh!

Dazed, disheveled and smoking, Dash drops out of the sky, spiralling toward...

SC. 24 - EXT. CONCESSION STAND - SAME

Pinkie Pie is finally leaving the concession stand with a cotton candy cone that's 12 feet tall and 4 feet wide, trotting along with a gigantic smile on her face.

173 PINKIE PIE
I hope I'm not too late. I don't
know what took that guy so long.

ANGLE ON: The Concession Pony, exhausted and sweaty, in front of an empty cotton candy machine.

BACK ON: Pinkie, as she looks up to see Dash headed straight for her and lights up.

174 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Yay, Rainbow Dash!! Go, you
Wonderbolt, you!!

Dash plows straight through the cotton candy, which EXPLODES everywhere. She hits the ground, bounces and flat spins to...

SC. 25 - EXT. STANDS - CONTINUOUS

...where she spins to a stop in front of the rest of the Wonderbolts. Dash lifts her head and woozily looks at her teammates: she's got a pink cotton candy afro and beard on her head and a puff at the end of her tail. Pinkie jumps into frame, holding her empty cotton candy cone and screaming:

175 PINKIE PIE
That was amazing!!

Dash looks blearily at Spitfire, who just shakes her head.

176 SPITFIRE
Way to go, Rainbow Crash.

OFF Dash's head plopping to the ground...

SC. 26 - EXT. STANDS - MOMENTS LATER

The stands are emptying as the Wonderbolts gather around Dash. They lift her up and clean her off as the other Mane 6 approach.

177 SPITFIRE
You gonna tell us what just
happened, newbie?

178 RAINBOW DASH
 (completely dejected)
I am so sorry.

179 SPITFIRE
I should hope so. You changed the
routine without consulting me and
had one of the most awful crashes
I've ever seen.

180 RAINBOW DASH
You guys were right to call me
Rainbow Crash. I've always been a
standout flier, but since I joined
the Wonderbolts, I've only stood
out for making mistakes. And
everything I've done to change that
has only made it worse.
 (sigh, head down)
It's been my dream my whole life,
but I guess maybe I'm not
Wonderbolt material after all.

181 SOARIN
Are you crazy?!

Dash looks up at Soarin, surprised.

182 SOARIN (CONT'D)
You're the most talented flier
we've ever had.

183 RAINBOW DASH
But--

184 FLEETFOOT
And you've saved all of Equestria
like, a dozen times!

185 RAINBOW DASH
I--

186 SPITFIRE
Of course you're supposed to be a
Wonderbolt! We've been waiting for
a spot to open up ever since you
joined the Reserves.

Dash is having serious problems processing what she's
hearing.

187 RAINBOW DASH
But... you guys... all called me
Rainbow Crash.

The Bolts just look at her like she's nuts.

188 SOARIN
Yeah, so? My nickname's Clipper.
Know why they call me that?

189 RAINBOW DASH
Um, you're as fast a ship?

190 SOARIN
Because I clipped my wing on a
flagpole as I was landing on my
first day.

191 RAINBOW DASH
Huh.

192 FLEETFOOT
Flatfoot. I once landed so hard my
shoes popped off.

Other Wonderbolts raise their hooves and say their nicknames
without explanation.

193 WONDERBOLT #1
Slowpoke.

194 MISTY FLY
Daisy.

195 WONDERBOLT #2
Hoof 'n' Mouth.

A light of hope kindles in Dash's eyes. She looks to
Spitfire.

196 SPITFIRE
You don't want to know what they
call me.

197 RAINBOW DASH
So, does that mean I'm still on the
team?

198 SPITFIRE
Do you think we'd really pass up
the chance to tease you *for years*
about this catastrophe? I mean, it
is epic!!

Everypony can't help but laugh, Dash included. OFF the rest
of the Mane 6, watching their friend with pride...

SC. 27 - EXT. STANDS - NIGHT

The stands are empty, but Dash is still there, cleaning up
the mess she made. Twilight and Spike approach.

199 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Hey Rainbow Dash, we just wanted to
check on you. Are you doing okay?

200 RAINBOW DASH
 (big smile)
I'm doing great, thanks!

201 SPIKE
Sure you don't need any help?

202 RAINBOW DASH
Nah. This mess is my responsibility
and I've gotta clean it all up
myself.

Spike looks around. There's still a lot to do.

203 SPIKE
So why are you in such a good mood,
then?

Dash stops sweeping and points to her uniform.

204 RAINBOW DASH
Duh! Because I'm a Wonderbolt!

OFF Twilight and Spike, smiling as Dash starts sweeping
again, beaming as she does so...

END