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Friendship Lesson: Sometimes you have to do what your friends need you to do, not what they want you to do.

At the Crystal Empire, Pinkie Pie bids a tearful farewell to Twilight Sparkle. "Pinkie Pie, you'll only be gone for a weekend." Yes, but it's a LONG weekend. Pinkie Pie is visiting nearby Yak Yakistan while Twilight Sparkle has opted to spend time with her family at the Crystal Empire. Once she and Gummy arrive at Yak Yakistan, Pinkie is excited to learn all about the Yak's lifestyle. She has fun meeting all the Yaks (male, female and baby Yaks speak in the same gruff manner), learning their traditions and customs (when a female Yak spits food at her companion, that means a marriage proposal has been accepted), following their habits and routines ("rocking" a baby to sleep means throwing rocks at its bedroom wall -- the thuds soothe them), relaxing on their hay beds, and enjoying their cuisine. Pinkie Pie starts to feel at ease here and is even able to successfully imitate the Yak's gruff dialect. Even Prince Rutherford acknowledges that Pinkie Pie can almost "be Honorary Yak". Just as Pinkie Pie is celebrating her acceptance, an avalanche strikes and covers the town in a ton of snow.

At first, this is no big deal. After all, the Yaks are used to the cold and snow and they have plenty of food. CUT TO: a pile of food in the corner of the village. But right away things start to go sour. SMASH CUT TO: the pile of food is suddenly gone. "How did you Yaks eat all the food so fast?!" Pinkie Pie wonders. Since the food is gone, Pinkie Pie offers to go to the Crystal Empire in the hot air balloon she arrived in to ask for help. The Pegasi can airlift food to Yak Yakistan. But Prince Rutherford refuses to let Pinkie go, insisting that "Yaks no need pony help!" Prince Rutherford proclaims that he has the situation under control. They have plenty to eat. Snow makes yummy snow cones. If Pinkie Pie disagrees then she can leave Yak Yakistan and never return. Not wanting to ruin the relationship she's built with the Yak prince, Pinkie cheerfully suggests different ways to cook snow -- snow cakes (pile of snow), snow spaghetti (pile of snow), snow sandwiches (piles of snow between snow), etc. This isn't going to work, and Pinkie Pie is torn between adhering to Prince Rutherford's wishes and doing what's best for the Yaks' survival.

Pinkie Pie hops in and out of Yak Yakistan, debating with herself whether or not to get help. She believes she should, then talks herself out of it. Finally, the long weekend is over and it's time for Pinkie Pie to rendezvous with Twilight at the Crystal Empire. En route in the hot air balloon, Pinkie confers with Gummy over her options: should she obey Prince Rutherford or return to Yak Yakistan with supplies? His blank stare gives her the answer that she's looking for. Meanwhile, back at Yak Yakistan, Prince Rutherford realizes that the snow sandwiches have lost their novelty. How are they going to survive without real food? Suddenly, Pinkie Pie, Twilight Sparkle and a few Pegasi return with supplies and food -- real food! The Yaks are thrilled. Pinkie tries to tell the Yaks to keep it a secret from Prince Rutherford, but suddenly, she hears: "Is that sandwich or snow sandwich?" Pinkie shamefully admits that it's a real sandwich. She's afraid Prince Rutherford is angry with her, but instead, he smiles. He surprises her by telling her she's the best kind of friend. She knew what he needed and gave it to him without him even having to ask. Which means she understands Yaks. Pink Pony now Honorary Yak! THE END.