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TEASER**PREVIOUSLY ON MLP...**

In a series of shots from MLP825 we see:

CELESTIA'S EMERGENCY SUMMIT

1 CELESTIA
Magic is fading from Equestria...
line TBD.

THE Y6 IMPRISONED BY CHANCELLOR NEIGHSAY

2 NEIGHSAY
Non-ponies are bad... line TBD.

SANDBAR ENLISTING THE AIDE OF THE CMCS

3 SANDBAR
Help me CMCS. You're my only
hope... line TBD.

TWILIGHT AND THE M6 GETTING TRAPPED IN TARTARUS

4 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Here's another fine mess I've
gotten us into... line TBD.

**STARLIGHT TRAPPED IN THE MAGIC-DRAINING PORTAL AS COZY GLOW
MONOLOGUES HER DIABOLICAL PLAN.**

5 COZY GLOW
Mwah-ha-ha. My plan is diabolical!
...line TBD.

END TEASER**MAIN TITLES****ACT ONE****SC. 1 - EXT. TARTARUS - DAY**

Resume on the MANE SIX and SPIKE in Tartarus. Twilight looks out at the bleak landscape, despondent.

6 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I just can't believe Cozy Glow is
behind all of this.

Tirek looks down at Twilight and the others from his cell and <LAUGHS> weakly.

7 TIREK
I'm not usually a fan of ponies,
but trapping the six of you here so
she could drain your precious world
of magic is something special.

He <LAUGHS> again, trailing off into a sickly <COUGH>.

8 SPIKE
Um... There's seven of us.

Applejack leads Twilight and the others away from Tirek.

9 APPLEJACK
Don't worry, Twilight. Starlight's
in charge at the school. If anypony
can handle Cozy Glow, it's her.

10 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I just wish we weren't stuck here
so we could warn her.

Rainbow Dash flies at the closed stone door through which
they entered, trying to break through.

11 RAINBOW DASH
Well, we won't be stuck for long!

Dash crashes into the wall with a <THUD>, then slides to the
ground. Rarity walks over and helps her up.

12 RARITY
We're in a prison, dear. We need
magic to get out and we used the
last of ours getting in.

Pinkie bounces around the wall.

13 PINKIE PIE
Maybe there's a way to get out
without magic. Like a secret lever,
or a secret button, or a secret
admirer who knows a secret about
you, but is all, "You're secret's
safe with me because I put it in
Tartarus and I have a key."

14 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I'm afraid not. The most powerful
villains and monsters of all time
are trapped here. And without magic
so are we.

15 FLUTTERSHY
Well, maybe some of them still have
magic.

Twilight looks over at Cerberus: His middle head is asleep,
while the other two pull his body in different directions.

16 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(unconvinced)
Maybe.

17 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah. All we need to do is get them
to pitch in and help. No problem.

They look over as the COCKATRICE is swallowed by the CHIMERA,
who then spits it back out when a BUGBEAR shoves another
Bugbear onto the Chimera's snake tail.

18 APPLEJACK
That might be easier said than
done.

SC. 2 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - DAY

Back at the school, Cozy Glow canters through the halls past
several STUDENTS - a MOVING BOX balanced on her back.

19 PONY STUDENT
Hey Cozy!

20 PONY STUDENT 2
Looking good, C! Wanna hang out?

Cozy <GIGGLES>.

21 COZY GLOW
Sorry, friends! I'll have to take a
rain check. I need to make sure
Chancellor Neighsay gets home okay.

Cozy hoof-bumps them and heads to the Headmare's Office.

**SC. 3 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - HEADMARE'S OFFICE -
CONTINUOUS**

Cozy walks in and sets her box down, casually starting to unpack the contents.

22 COZY GLOW
Golly, we're all just so grateful
you locked up those terrifying
creatures, Chancellor Neighsay, but
I bet the EEA needs you with this
magic crisis going on, so...

Cozy looks up and is surprised to see Neighsay sitting at the Headmare's desk, working. He shuffles through books and papers.

23 NEIGHSAY
(without looking up)
What the EEA needs is a pony to
whip this school into shape.

24 COZY GLOW
Oh, well, I am Twilight's right-
hoof-mare and she left me in charge
while she's gone, so...

25 NEIGHSAY
(shakes his head)
Another in the long list of errors
Twilight has made. But all that
will change now that I'm here.

26 COZY GLOW
So, you're staying?

27 NEIGHSAY
(nods)
I am. And this school will finally
be run the way it should have been
from the start.

28 COZY GLOW
(overly effusive) Well, that's just
wonderful.

Off Cozy's big, fake smile...

SC. 4 - INT. CATACOMBS - DAY

Sandbar and the CMCs look up at Starlight, still trapped in the VORTEX OF MAGIC from Part I. Apple Bloom rushes forward.

29 APPLE BLOOM
Come on, y'all. We gotta get
Starlight out of there before Cozy
Glow comes back!

Inside the vortex, Starlight waves frantically for them to stay away, but Scootaloo and Sweetie Belle follow Apple Bloom. Sandbar <SHOUTS> after them.

30 SANDBAR
Wait!

The CMCs cross into the CIRCLE OF MAGIC created by the ARTIFACTS, but the moment Sweetie Belle steps inside, GLOWING BANDS OF MAGIC reach out of the vortex and lock onto her horn, pulling her toward the center.

The others turn in shock as she's lifted off the ground.

31 SCOOTALOO
Sweetie Belle!

Sandbar rushes over and the three of them grab ahold of Sweetie Belle, just managing to pull her free from the circle.

They all fall to the ground, spent.

32 SANDBAR
That vortex is what's sucking up
all the magic from Equestria.

33 SWEETIE BELLE
And it almost got me too!

They look up at the swirling vortex.

34 SCOOTALOO
I don't understand. What's Cozy
gonna do with all that magic?

35 SANDBAR
It sounded like she wants to
destroy it. If there's no magic,
no pony can use it to stop her from
taking over the school.

In the portal, Starlight nods.

36 SCOOTALOO
Well, somepony has to!

37 SWEETIE BELLE
But Starlight's trapped here,
Twilight and the others are gone,
and there's no way to get word to
Celestia or anypony else.

38 APPLE BLOOM
I guess we're on our own.

39 SANDBAR
Not if we free my friends.

40 SCOOTALOO
But Chancellor Neighsay's locked
them up.

Sweetie Belle looks around at the catacombs.

41 SWEETIE BELLE
And I don't even know how to get
out of here, much less back to the
school.

Almost in response, the crystal root-columns of the catacombs
start to glow and pulse. Apple Bloom looks around, nervous.

42 APPLE BLOOM
What's going on?

43 SANDBAR
These catacombs are connected to
the Tree of Harmony. When I was
trapped here before, the Tree
helped me and my friends get out.

The GLOW from the roots intensifies, then with a FLASH a set
of stairs appears leading up.

44 SANDBAR (CONT'D)
Like that! Come on!

They all rush up the stairs.

45 SCOOTALOO
At least the Tree of Harmony is on
our side!

SC. 5 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - DORMS - DAY

The YOUNG SIX (minus Sandbar) sit around in their room.
Gallus pulls at the door handle to no avail.

46 SMOLDER
(sarcastic)
Still locked, huh?

47 GALLUS
Well, we gotta at least try to get out.

48 OCELLUS
Why? Every pony out there hates us. Even Sandbar.

49 YONA
That not true. All ponies nice except Cozy Glow. She make other ponies mean.

50 SILVERSTREAM
And Sandbar is our friend.

51 SMOLDER
Did you miss the part where he said he didn't want anything to do with us?

52 GALLUS
Maybe he just said that so one of us could be out there trying to stop Cozy Glow.

Sandbar's voice comes from behind them.

53 SANDBAR (O.S.)
I don't know. That sounds like some griffin-level cleverness. Ponies aren't that smart.

They all turn to see Sandbar and the CMC's climbing out of a hole in the wall made by crystal roots. With another MAGICAL FLASH the hole is gone.

Yona charges over, overjoyed, and knocks them all down.

54 YONA
Yona knew ponies not mean!

55 SANDBAR
Well, these ponies aren't, but Cozy Glow's gotten the rest of the students all turned around.

56 APPLE BLOOM
And she's the one draining magic outta Equestria.

57 THE OTHERS
WHAT!?

58 SANDBAR
We've gotta get you all out of here
and tell Chancellor Neighsay.

The others all look at him like he's nuts.

59 SMOLDER
How's that gonna help?

60 SANDBAR
I know he doesn't like anycreature
but ponies, but not even he wants
an Equestria without magic.

Off everyone's looks of concern...

SC. 6 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - MAIN HALL - DAY

Neighsay stands before the entire student body, or what's left of them. Cozy stands beside him.

61 NEIGHSAY
I'm sure you're all concerned about
the state of magic, and I want to
assure you, that this institution
will be taken care of, despite the
troubling absence of its Headmare.
While Twilight's misguided attitude
toward non-ponies is admirable,
abandoning her students is not. And
leaving a foal, no matter how
capable, in charge borders on the
ridiculous. As your new Head
Stallion, let me be the first to
inform you that the Princess' reign
is over. From now on your education
will adhere to the EEA doctrine as
it should have from the start.

The students stare, stunned. Cozy Glow breaks the silence
with APPLAUSE. A few of the students join her with a
smattering of half-hearted CLAPS.

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62 COZY GLOW
Thank you Chancellor Neighsay for
those rousing and passionate words.
I know that you are a stallion who
truly believes what you say.

Cozy steps down from her spot next to Neighsay and walks toward the students.

63 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
And when you say this school will
be run according to EEA doctrine I
know that you mean it.

She heads up the aisle.

64 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
And when you say there's to be no
more teaching from the Princess of
Friendship at the School of
Friendship - I know you mean that
too.

Neighsay tries to interrupt.

65 NEIGHSAY
That's not exact--

66 COZY GLOW
(barreling on)
But I also know that Twilight and
her friends saved Equestria more
times than I can count. And that
Princesses Celestia and Luna,
trusted her to run this school,
despite EEA efforts to stop her.

<MURMURS> of agreement start to echo back and forth through
the group of students.

67 NEIGHSAY
Well, I wouldn't say--

68 COZY GLOW
So since I know you mean what you
say, my question is really for the
students.

She turns and addresses the crowd, pointing at Neighsay.

69 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Are we going to let this pony
destroy everything Twilight and her
friends worked so hard to build?

Several students stand.

70 SEVERAL STUDENTS
NO! / No way!

She turns back to Neighsay with a smile, all of the students rising behind her.

71 COZY GLOW
I'm afraid things will have to stay
the way Twilight wants them - which
includes leaving me in charge.

Neighsay looks around, panicked, as Cozy and her students close in.

72 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
But since you seem to want the
Headmare's Office so badly, I see
no reason why you shouldn't stay
there. Under lock and key!

With that the crowd of students take Neighsay as Cozy leads them out.

After a beat we PAN around the corner where the Y6 and the CMCs have been listening.

73 SANDBAR
Okay, so maybe we need a new plan.

Off the others' distress we...

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 7 - INT. SCHOOL - HEADMARE'S OFFICE - RESUME

Cozy Glow looks on as several of her students chain Neighsay to Twilight's desk.

74 COZY GLOW
Not too tight. We don't want to
hurt the Chancellor. I'm sure
Twilight and Celestia will know
what to do with him once this
magical crisis is over.

The students finish and Cozy starts to usher them out.

75 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Now, back to class everyone. We've
let the EEA disrupt our friendship
studies long enough.

Once they all file out, Cozy shuts the door and goes back to unpacking her box from earlier - littering Twilight's desk with "cute" tchotchke: a nameplate, framed pictures, creepy puppets, etc.

76 NEIGHSAY
Why are you doing this? You wrote
to me about the EEA taking control
of the school.

Cozy Glow <LAUGHS> and picks up Neighsay's EEA MEDALLION.

77 COZY GLOW
That's true, but once I figured out
how to remove Twilight myself, I
only needed you to take care of her
special students.

She drops his medallion into her box and pulls out a collection of creepy marionettes that she arranges on the desk.

78 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Thank you sooo much for dealing
with them, but I can't have the EEA
in charge. I need to take over the
school myself.

She puts a framed picture of herself on the desk.

79 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Of course that's just the
beginning. Once magic is gone,
they'll be nothing to stop me. You
see, friendship is power and as
Headmare of this school I will have
more friends than any pony in
Equestria. All will bow before Cozy
Glow, the Empress of Friendship!

Cozy Glow <GIGGLES>, turns and exits as Neighsay's looks on in horror.

SC. 8 - INT. SCHOOL - OUTSIDE HEADMARE'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Cozy Glow, still <GIGGLING>, walks out of the office and into the hall.

80 SCOOTALOO (O.S.)
What's so funny?

Cozy turns to see the CMCs standing in the hall staring at her, excited.

81 SWEETIE BELLE
Or are you just happy to be running
the school? I know I'd be.

82 APPLE BLOOM
I can't believe we were your
friendship mentors and now you're
in charge!

83 SCOOTALOO
Yeah. Who'd have thought the
Headmare of the School of
Friendship would be a foal our age!

Cozy smiles and starts to move quickly down the hall. The CMCS follow.

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84 COZY GLOW
I'm not really Headmare. I'm just
keeping Twilight's chair warm.

85 APPLE BLOOM
Still, it's pretty impressive!

86 SWEETIE BELLE
Yeah. Just let us know if there's
anything we can do to help out.

87 SCOOTALOO
And, you know, if for some crazy
reason Twilight decides to leave
you in charge, maybe you might
reconsider letting us in?

Cozy Glow stops and looks at them, then smiles.

88 COZY GLOW
You know, I can think of a few
things I might need help with.

89 THE CMCS
Yay!/Whoo-hoo!/Awesome!

As Cozy leads them off, Apple Bloom casts a glance back,
giving a WINK to the Y6 who sneak into the Headmare's office.

**SC. 9 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - HEADMARE'S OFFICE -
CONTINUOUS**

Gallus sticks his head inside to see Neighsay, still chained
to the desk, his head in his hooves.

90 GALLUS
 (whisper shout)
The coast is clear.

Neighsay's head pops up as the rest of the Y6 file in.

91 NEIGHSAY
Oh. Wonderful. I suppose you've all
come to gloat.

92 SMOLDER
Only a little.

Silverstream elbows Smolder as Sandbar and Ocellus step
forward and starts working to undo Neighsay's chains. *

93 OCELLUS
Actually, we've come to get you
out.

Neighsay stares at them in shock.

94 NEIGHSAY
Why?

95 YONA
Now that nasty pony met even
nastier pony, maybe nasty pony
might want to be less nasty.

96 SANDBAR
Also we'd kinda like to stop her
before she drains all the magic
from Equestria.

With that, Yona STOMPS and breaks the lock holding the
chains. Neighsay stares at them in shock, then...

97 NEIGHSAY
We must get word to Celestia and
Luna. Maybe they still have enough
magic to stop her.

98 SANDBAR
But how? Without magic, it'll take
forever to get to them.

99 NEIGHSAY
Maybe not.

He retrieves his EEA medallion from Cozy Glow's box.

100 NEIGHSAY (CONT'D)
The EEA medallion is an artifact
that allows me to travel throughout
Equestria. If it still has enough
magic, I can warn the Princesses.

Neighsay looks at them as the Y6 exchange uncertain looks.

101 NEIGHSAY (CONT'D)
I misjudged you and I know you have
no reason to trust me, but let me
at least try to make it up to you.

102 GALLUS
It doesn't matter if we trust you
or not. Someone needs to put a stop
to this.

Neighsay nods. He holds out his medallion and tries to power
up his horn. Magic STATIC crackles around his horn, then
finally sparks a connection to his amulet and with a FLASH,
he's gone.

103 SILVERSTREAM
I hope he makes it.

104 SMOLDER
I hope he doesn't lock us up again
when he comes back.

105 OCELLUS
If he comes back.

106 SANDBAR
Guys, everything's gonna be fine.
Twilight and the others are
probably already on their way.

Off the others' hopeful looks...

SC. 10 - EXT. TARTARUS - DAY

Back in Tartarus Applejack and Rainbow Dash chase Cerberus
back and forth across screen. Fluttershy watches, concerned.

107 FLUTTERSHY
Does Cerberus even have any magic?

108 RAINBOW DASH
We won't know till we catch him!

109 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Even if we get the inhabitants of
Tartarus to help us, our plan might
not work.

110 RARITY
Still, we have to try.

111 PINKIE PIE
I don't know, Tartarus isn't so
bad. I could hang here for awhile.

REVEAL - Pinkie roasting marshmallows on a stick over a small
crater filled with flame. A FLAME BURST erupts out of the
crater, leaving her with just a singed stick.

112 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Maybe not forever, though.

Tirek shouts down from his prison.

113 TIREK
Forever is just what it will be.
Your plan is even more pathetic
than letting that foal trick you
into coming here!

114 RARITY
Don't listen to him Twilight.

115 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
He might be right. How can we
convince all these monsters and
villains to help us?

Dash and Applejack chase Cerberus through frame again.

116 RARITY
Dash and Applejack nearly have
Cerberus tuckered out. And I have
an idea that might help.

117 FLUTTERSHY
And I can take care of the monsters
- because I would never call them
that.

118 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What about Tirek?

Pinkie steps up with another stick and another marshmallow.

119 PINKIE PIE
Leave him to me.

Off Twilight's hopeful expression...

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IN A QUICK SERIES OF SHOTS WE SEE...

APPLEJACK - scratching one of Cerberus' heads under the chin.

DASH - holding a round rock like a ball. She moves it up and down and side to side while another of Cerberus' heads follows its every move, tongue wagging.

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RARITY - giving a large bone from some long deceased monster to the last, grateful and salivating Cerberus head.

FLUTTERSHY - stands on a small rock like a conductor at a podium. REVEAL - a choir of monsters, Cockatrice, Bugbears, Chimera, etc.

PINKIE PIE - pulls a birthday cake out of her hair and presents it to Tirek, who frowns. She pulls lit candles out of her hair and puts them on the cake. Tirek's frown deepens. She snaps a party hat on his head. His expression drops even further. CUT TO...

Pinkie dancing around Tirek, still in party regalia.

120 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
 (chant-singing)
*I know it's not your birthday so,
you get a party even though
we'll sing and dance from one to
ten
and then we'll do it all again!*

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Tirek continues to sit scowling. CUT TO...

Pinkie pours tea for Tirek then for a collection of ROCKS she has set up around him like a tea party.

121 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
More tea Princess Pudding Rock?
 (bad ventriloquism)
"Oh, don't mind if I do!"
 (to Tirek)
I can do this alllll eternity.

122 TIREK
FINE! I'll help. Just stop.

Pinkie shouts down to Twilight.

123 PINKIE PIE
TIREK'S IN!

Twilight looks out at her friends pleased.

124 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Maybe this will work after all.

SC. 11 - INT. SCHOOL - HALLWAY - DAY

Cozy leads the CMCs down the hallway as the girls continue their excited chatter, still trying to keep her busy.

125 APPLE BLOOM
It's just so excitin' to have a foal like us runnin' things. We could have an ice cream social every day!

126 COZY GLOW
That's a splendid idea, Apple Bloom.

127 SCOOTALOO
I hope you don't mind if I start a Cozy Glow fan club.

128 COZY GLOW
Mind? That sounds positively wonderful.

Cozy Glow stops at a closet.

129 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
But to tell you the truth, the thing I need help with most is cleaning.

130 SWEETIE BELLE
Cleaning?

131 COZY GLOW
It's not the most glamorous job. I think that might be why nopony's volunteered.

Scoot steps forward.

132 SCOOTALOO
Say no more. We are on it!

133 APPLE BLOOM
Yep! Anything for our new headmare!

134 COZY GLOW
Perfect. Everything you need is
right in there.

She opens the door and ushers them inside. The three of them
look back at her.

135 SWEETIE BELLE
(stalling)
Ah... you should probably show us
everything you want cleaned.

Sweetie Belle looks to the others for help.

136 SCOOTALOO
Oh, yeah. You should take us on a
long tour of all the school's dirty
spots.

Cozy Glow give them a slow smile.

137 COZY GLOW
Actually, you can start in there.

With that, Cozy <SLAMS> the door and locks them inside with a
<CLICK>. Apple Bloom calls out from inside.

138 APPLE BLOOM (O.S.)
I don't know, Cozy, it looks pretty
clean in here already.

139 COZY GLOW
Do you three think you could fool
me? I know a diversion when I see
it. Guess it's time to check on all
my friends!

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With that, Cozy heads off down the hall.

SC. 12 - INT. CATACOMBS - SAME

Sandbar leads the rest of the Y6 back through the catacombs.

140 YONA
Why pony lead us back down here?

141 SMOLDER
Yeah. Why don't we go take that
cutesie pony on ourselves?

Sandbar stops and points to the pool of magic.

142 SANDBAR
We have one more prisoner to free
first.

Sandbar leads them up to the edge of the pool and they all
look in to see...

143 SILVERSTREAM
Starlight!

Starlight whirls around inside the magic aquarium. Yona jumps
up to look in.

144 YONA
Counselor pony come out! We need
help with nasty pony!

Starlight tries to talk but no sound penetrates the vortex.

145 SANDBAR
She can't communicate from in
there. We'll have to figure out a
way to get her out on our own.

Ocellus examines the portal, looking at the GLOWING ARTIFACTS
spaced around it. *

146 SILVERSTREAM
Cozy's using these artifacts to
capture Equestria's magic?

Gallus looks up with sudden realization. He flies around
checking out each artifact.

147 GALLUS
Hey! I read about this. She's using
the power of these artifacts to
attract more magic.

The others just stare at him.

148 GALLUS (CONT'D)
What? I read. Finals are coming up,
you know.

149 OCELLUS
(suddenly excited too)
Actually, I remember that too. It's
like a magic magnet!

150 GALLUS
Exactly!

Gallus flies back over to one of the artifacts.

151 GALLUS (CONT'D)
I bet the quickest way to shut it
down is to just yank these things
out.

Gallus reaches for one.

152 OCELLUS
 (obliviously excited)
Sure! Though, that would probably
cause a magical feedback loop and
blow up the whole school.

A voice comes from behind them.

153 COZY GLOW (O.S.)
Blow up the School of Friendship?
Oh, dear...

The Y6 turn to see Cozy with a group of students all staring
angrily at them.

154 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Chancellor Neighsay was wrong about
a lot of things, but I guess not
about all of you.

Off the worried looks of the Y6 we...

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 13 - INT. TARTARUS - DAY

Twilight stands on the plateau looking over Tartarus.

155 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Alright. Is everypony ready?

Fluttershy stands with her chorus of monsters.

156 FLUTTERSHY
I don't know about everypony, but
every creature sure is.

Applejack, Rainbow Dash, and Rarity look up from their
station with Cerberus. Rarity holding another bone up for one
of the salivating heads.

157 RARITY
 (to Cerberus)
Siiiiiiit. (then, quickly) Though I
can't say for how much longer.

Pinkie calls out from her spot by Tirek's cage, somehow she's dressed like a cymbal-playing monkey toy. She bangs her CYMBALS and Tirek cringes.

158 PINKIE PIE
All set!

159 TIREK
Yes, by all means. Please, get on
with it.

Twilight nods and tries to power up her horn. It sparks and fizzles.

160 PINKIE PIE
There's your cue, you evil centaur,
you.

Pinkie CRASHES her cymbals again and Tirek sends a small stream of magic from between his horns at Twilight, whose own horn glows more brightly.

Applejack looks to the Cerberus heads.

161 APPLEJACK
All right, y'all. Just like we
practiced.

Each of the giant dog heads starts to <HOWL>, sending WAVES OF SONIC MAGIC at Twilight who's horn glows brighter still.

Finally, Fluttershy looks to her monstrous chorus.

162 FLUTTERSHY
Okay everybody, let's show them
you're not just big scary monsters.

Fluttershy waves her hooves and each of the monsters <SNARLS> and <GROWLS>, sending MAGIC SHOCK WAVES at Twilight whose
horn glows brightly. *

163 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That's it!

Twilight uses her horn to make an OUTLINE OF MAGIC in the nearby rock, opening the portal to the outside.

164 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Come on! I don't know how long I
can hold it!

The others each look to their charges.

Pinkie to Tirek:

165 PINKIE PIE
Thanks for the assist, your
redness!

Dash tosses her rock ball to the middle Cerberus head.

166 RAINBOW DASH
Good boy!

Fluttershy gives each monster (and monster head) a hug.

167 FLUTTERSHY
Bye friends! Don't you let anypony
tell you you're just monsters.

They all rush to join Twilight and the whole group jumps
through the opening just as it slams closed behind them.

After a beat - ON TIREK

168 TIREK
Well, the rest of eternity is going
to be pretty dull after that.

As the other monsters all nod in agreement...

SC. 14 - EXT. EQUESTRIA - CONTINUOUS

The Mane Six all fall out of the portal and land on the
ground. Pinkie jumps up with an enthusiastic <CHEER>.

169 PINKIE PIE
We did it!

170 APPLEJACK
Well, Twilight did, anyhow.

171 PINKIE PIE
Twilight did it!

172 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I couldn't have without all of you.

173 PINKIE PIE
I was right the first time. WE DID
IT!

174 RARITY
Yes, darling. Now all we need to do
is walk home.

Rarity points out at the long and winding road that extends
off toward the infinite horizon.

175 PINKIE PIE
(less enthusiastic)
Yay. Walking.

With that, each of them start off down the road.

SC. 15 - INT. CATACOMBS - SAME

Back in the catacombs, the Y6 face off against Cozy and her
students. Cozy looks at them, fake pleading.

176 COZY GLOW
I don't understand. After
everything Twilight's done for you,
you want to destroy her school?

Gallus flies over and gets in Cozy's face.

177 GALLUS
We don't! You're the one using
these artifacts to drain the magic
from Equestria.

178 COZY GLOW
Me? We all just saw you with your
claws all over those artifacts.

Cozy turns to her minions with manufactured realization.

179 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
It does make sense. These creatures
want magic gone from Equestria
because it's the only thing we
ponies have that they don't!

180 OCELLUS
Technically, both mine and
Silverstream's transformations have
a magical component.

Yona rushes up and <STOMPS> at Cozy Glow.

181 YONA
And Yona's friends' friendship is
magic. Twilight said!

182 COZY GLOW
Don't listen to them. They're
obviously behind this crisis and
are going to destroy the school to
cover their tracks. We have to stop
them!

At Cozy's direction, several students rush forward to subdue
the Y6. Sandbar run forward.

183 SANDBAR
No! Don't listen to her!

But the students ignore him. Two students grab at Gallus who
takes wing to avoid them, but crashes into one of the
caverns' crystal columns and drops RIGHT INTO THE VORTEX!

184 SMOLDER
Gallus!

Catching himself on the side, Gallus struggles to pull
himself free, but the vortex swells up and engulfs his feet
as BANDS OF MAGIC whip out and start to wrap around the rest
of him.

The rest of the Y6 immediately come to his aide: both Sandbar
and Yona pulling at his claws while Smolder, Ocellus, and
Silverstream hover above, pulling at his wings.

Cozy's students watch them struggle, unsure what to do, but
Cozy walks up with a smug smile. She looks to Yona.

185 COZY GLOW
Well, I guess your friendship isn't
so magical after all.

With that, she gives Yona a shove and the Yak loses her
balance, tumbling forward. As the rest refuse to let go,
Yona's and Gallus' weight starts to drag them all into the
vortex.

They lurch forward, sinking toward the magical drain, when
the crystal columns around them start to PULSE AND GLOW.

Suddenly, shafts of glowing magic shoot out from the columns,
hitting each of the Y6 with a BLAST of color (corresponding
to each of the six Elements of Harmony).

Cozy and her minions watch as the COLORED BEAMS OF MAGIC lift
the Y6 out of the vortex.

186 PONY STUDENT
It's just like the Elements of
Harmony!

187 PONY STUDENT 2
Their friendship saved them, just
like the Mane Six!

Gallus looks down at Cozy as he and his friends hover over
each of their races' ARTIFACT.

188 GALLUS
Guess our friendship is pretty
magical after all.

Silverstream looks to the others.

189 SILVERSTREAM
The Tree of Harmony is helping us!
Hurry, grab the artifacts!

190 SMOLDER
I'm sorry. You said that could blow
up the school.

191 SILVERSTREAM
It could, but if we don't try we
could lose magic forever.

The Y6 all look to each other and nod. Sandbar looks to Cozy
and her minions.

192 SANDBAR
You all better get clear.

The pony students waste no time turning tail and rushing out.
Cozy runs after shouting.

193 COZY GLOW
Where are you going? Stop!

With the students out of harms way, the Y6 grab the artifacts
and the GLOW around them intensifies.

The vortex swells and glows and just as it starts to
overflow, the Y6 all vanish before it explodes in a massive
BLAST of magic that shoots upward.

SC. 16 - EXT. EQUESTRIA - VARIOUS

The bright COLUMN OF MAGIC shoots skyward and as magic rains
down over Equestria we see a series of shots:

- Twilight and the M6 slogging along a dusty road. Suddenly MAGIC rains down and they are rejuvenated. Twilight BAMFS around the group, excited. Rarity levitates a leaf and fans herself.

- Celestia, Luna, Cadance, and Neighsay exchange weak, discouraged looks as they look out from a balcony at a lack-luster Canterlot - THEN - magic rains down and everypony's strength returns. Off their encouraged looks...

- Back with Twilight and the others as a MAGICAL FLASH appears in front of them. The LIGHT fades revealing Neighsay, Celestia, and Luna who have used the EEA Medallion to travel to them. As they exchange smiles we CUT TO...

SC. 17 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - LIBRARY - CONTINUOUS

As Cozy and her students emerge from the catacombs the Y6 and Starlight appear with a FLASH. Yona sees Starlight and rushes toward her, excited.

194 YONA
Counselor Pony!

Starlight instinctively freezes Yona with MAGIC before the yak can knock her down in her exuberance.

195 STARLIGHT
It's nice to see you too.

196 OCELLUS
I guess magic is back.

Cozy stares at them all, seething.

197 COZY GLOW
You've ruined everything! Magic was the only thing in my way. With that gone I could have ruled all of Equestria!

As the rest of the students all look at Cozy in shock, there's a FLASH and Neighsay, Celestia, Luna, and the Mane Six appear. They all look to Cozy with stern expressions. Cozy back-peddles...

198 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
I mean... I could have become best friends with everypony in Equestria.

Twilight shakes her head at Cozy.

199 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What you call friendship is just manipulation. If you knew what real friendship was, you'd have all the magic you could want.

200 COZY GLOW
Spoken like an alicorn who already has it. But I won't stop. Someday I will rule Equestria!

With that, she makes a run for the exit, but her former students bar her path.

201 PONY STUDENT
I don't think so.

202 PONY STUDENT 2
Yeah. Red, green, and purple students agree... you're terrible.

Off Cozy, frustrated...

SC. 18 - INT. SCHOOL - HALLWAY - DAY

Twilight walks through the halls with Celestia, Luna, and Neighsay.

203 NEIGHSAY
I owe you an apology, Twilight. Clearly friendship is something all creatures must learn to understand. Even me.

204 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
If it were easy to learn, we wouldn't need a school.

205 NEIGHSAY
Well said. And I am glad it's you running it. If the EEA can ever assist you in any way, all you need to do is ask.

Just then the Y6 all rush up in-- Yona being flown by Gallus, while Silverstream and Smolder are chased by Ocellus in the shape of a Chimera. They tumble at the older ponies feet as Sandbar runs up behind.

206 SANDBAR
Whoops. Sorry, Twilight. We were just re-enacting your trip to Tartarus.

207 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That's not exactly how it went.

Neighsay fake-scowls at the group, then breaks into a wide smile.

208 NEIGHSAY
I'm sure if you lot were there it
would have looked just like that.

All <LAUGH>. Gallus looks to Twilight.

209 GALLUS
So, now that we've saved Equestria,
I guess we're sort of graduates,
right?

210 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(LAUGHS)
Saving Equestria is nice, but I'm
afraid it'll take more than one
semester to learn all there is to
know about friendship.

Just then, a nearby door BURSTS open and the CMCs all tumble out. They look at the Y6.

211 APPLE BLOOM
We held her off as long as we
could!

212 SCOOTALOO
But she locked us in this closet!

213 SWEETIE BELLE
What happened! Is everything all
right? Where's Cozy Glow?

The others all exchange surprised looks that burst into
<LAUGHTER>.

214 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Everything worked out just fine.

215 CELESTIA
As for Cozy Glow, I can assure you.
Where she's going, she won't be
causing any more trouble.

Off everyone's satisfied expression we...

FADE OUT

BEAT

FADE IN

SC. 19 - EXT. TARTARUS - DAY

Tirek still sits in his cell. He looks out at Tartarus and <SIGHS>. PAN OVER to Cerberus who, <WHIMPERS>.

216 TIREK
 (in response)
Of course it's boring here now, but
at least you're not in a cage.

Suddenly there's a FLASH OF LIGHT from off screen.

217 COZY GLOW (O.S.)
Hey, there pen pal.

Tirek looks over to see Cozy Glow has appeared in the cell next to him.

218 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Life's never boring when you've got
a friend.

Of Cozy's diabolical smile we...

CUT TO BLACK

END SEASON 8!