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TEASER

SC. 1 - EXT. TWILIGHT SPARKLE'S SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - DAY

Fluffy clouds drift past the school as we hear -

205 (206)

1 TWILIGHT (O.S.)
And the Friendship School teacher
of the month is...

SC. 2 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - STAFF ROOM - CONTINUOUS

THE MANE 5 and SPIKE are gathered as TWILIGHT SPARKLE
addresses them. RAINBOW DASH and APPLEJACK lean in,
hopeful/anxious, as Twilight announces--

2 TWILIGHT
Fluttershy!

Applejack and Rainbow Dash slump/gape -- clearly, this was
not the outcome they were hoping for.

3 APPLEJACK
Again?

FLUTTERSHY looks surprised as SPIKE takes her photo. PULL
BACK to reveal that there are THREE IDENTICAL FRAMED PHOTOS
of Fluttershy on the wall above.

4 FLUTTERSHY
Oh my. I don't know how I keep
winning.

5 RAINBOW DASH
(sour, sotto)
Yeah, me either.

6 TWILIGHT
The award is based on the students'
vote. They must really like you!
Congratulations, Fluttershy.

Twilight LEVITATES a TROPHY TOPPED WITH a GRADUATION CAP to
Fluttershy, past an envious Rainbow Dash and Applejack.

7 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Next item of business. I've been
looking into a new activity for our
friendship classes. Spike?

Spike pulls out Twilight's rule book and holds it open for
her. Twilight magically flips through the pages, then reads:

205 206

8 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Section 147, paragraph 2 states that teamwork is a key part of friendship. And section 229, paragraph 9 says outdoor activity reinforces learning. Add that together and what do you get? 207 insert

9 PINKIE PIE
Three hundred and eighty-seven?

10 TWILIGHT
A teamwork field trip! Leading it is a Teacher of the Month type-job, so I thought I'd ask-- 209 insert

Applejack and Rainbow Dash hooves' shoot up to volunteer.

11 APPLEJACK
I'm yer pony, Twilight. Sweet Apple Acres has taught me a thing or two about workin' together.

12 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, but being in the Wonderbolts is the definition of teamwork.

13 APPLEJACK
(chuckles, good natured)
I'm sure you're not sayin' fancy flyin' makes ya a better choice than me.

14 RAINBOW DASH
(chuckles back)
I wouldn't say better, just a little more *qualified*. No offense.

Fluttershy kindly suggests a compromise.

15 FLUTTERSHY
Maybe you can lead the field trip together?

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17 PINKIE PIE
Um, Rarity, Fluttershy, me, Spike --
(picks up a flower pot)
This flower pot --

17A 7 6
Rarity <SHUSHES> Pinkie Pie. Twilight smiles at Rainbow Dash and Applejack.

206 206 18 TWILIGHT
BOTH of you are teamwork experts.
If the students see the two of you
teaching together, they'll learn
even more. I know you've been
competitive in the past, but I'm
SURE you'd never let that get in
the way of friendship education!

18 66 19 APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH
'A course. / Totally.

But as Twilight turns her back, Applejack and Rainbow Dash slide a not so friendly look towards each other -- only to smile broadly when they catch each other's eye.

END TEASER

ACT ONE

SC. 3 - EXT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - FIELD - DAY

Twilight leads friendship students OCELLUS, SMOLDER, GALLUS, YONA, SILVERSTREAM, and SANDBAR away from the school.

16 17 20 OCELLUS
I've never been on a field trip
before.

18 21 SMOLDER
Yeah, what's the point of this,
exactly?

22 GALLUS
Getting out of the classroom, duh.

23 YONA
Yak best at field tripping.

23A 24 18 Yona demonstrates with a large pratfall, proud.

24 SILVERSTREAM
That's what we're doing? SO FUN!

24A 25AB Silverstream also does a pratfall and <LAUGHS>. Sandbar smiles and shakes his head at them.

25 SANDBAR
Pretty sure the Headmare has something else in mind.

Twilight stops and turns to face the others.

26 TWILIGHT
Alright, class. Today you'll learn how important working together is for building a strong friendship.

The group arrives to find a waiting Dash and Applejack.

27 APPLEJACK
Hey there! Y'all ready to get out there and do some learnin' the Apple family way?

Rainbow Dash steps in front of Applejack enthusiastically--

28 RAINBOW DASH
This is basically gonna be the best field trip in the history of ever... With me in charge that is.

29 APPLEJACK
(chuckles)
With us in charge. Meanin' mostly me.

30 RAINBOW DASH
(chuckles)
Good one.

31 TWILIGHT
And what teamwork activity do you two have planned for today?

32 APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH
Shed building. / Canoe racing.

32A 26AB Applejack and Rainbow Dash frown at each other, tension broken by an enthusiastic Silverstream:

33 SILVERSTREAM
No way. We get to do BOTH?!

34 TWILIGHT
I bet that's exactly what your teachers had in mind. Why don't you start with shed building first?

16 18
27
35 APPLEJACK
(tosses Dash a look, then)
Don't mind if I do! Everycreature
follow the leader!

35A Applejack exits with the students, a sulking Dash following.

210 211
36 TWILIGHT
I'll check in to see how it's
going. Remember to work together!

212 213
SC. 4 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - DAY

Applejack leads the students and Rainbow Dash through the
farm's apple trees. AJ smiles at her surrounding.

28 29
37 APPLEJACK
Now take a good deep breath. What
do ya smell?

Gallus, next to Yona, makes a face.

38 GALLUS
Yak?

38A Yona smells her own shoulder and nods.

39 APPLEJACK
Nope. Try again.

40 OCELLUS
Um...Apples?

41 APPLEJACK
AND... The promise of teamwork!

Applejack points to an APPLE SHED nearby: a small building
with a door and a roof, covering apples in baskets.

29
42 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
That there's an apple shed.

Applejack nods to a pile of building supplies in the B.G.

43 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
And this here is what we're gonna
use to build it! Nothin' brings
friends together like a little hard
work and honest sweat.

Rainbow Dash cracks up--

286 29

44 RAINBOW DASH
Sweat? Seriously? That's supposed
to be part of friendship?

45 APPLEJACK
Not everypony would know that,
Rainbow Dash. Just Teacher of the
Month kinda ponies.

46 RAINBOW DASH
Whatever. Let's just get this done
so we can move on to my activity!

As Applejack narrows her eyes, we PRE-LAP <POUNDING> and
<SAWING>...

SC. 5 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

The students (wearing construction hats) are hard at work on
the shed, side-by-side and helping each other. Gallus sets
nails in place, Yona pounds them with her hooves, Ocellus and
Silverstream carry lumber. Smolder uses a saw, and Sandbar
paints what she's cut. Applejack oversees their progress.

34 35

47 APPLEJACK
That's it! Measure twice, and cut
once. Haste makes waste. Slow and
steady.

Rainbow Dash flies by in a blur, with some wood and nails.

48 RAINBOW DASH
Emphasis on the slow.

Dash tosses the wood in the air. CLOSE SHOTS: She flings
nails and kicks them in, a blur of motion.

Applejack watches in frustration.

49 APPLEJACK
Rainbow Dash! Ya can't build an
apple shed like that!

Rainbow Dash flaps down to hover, arms crossed, cocky.

50 RAINBOW DASH
Oh yeah? I just did!

She points -- <BOOM> - the three walls of the apple shed fall
neatly into place from the air where she constructed them.
(NOTE: not the door piece.)

The students gape, amazed.

(34) 35

51 SANDBAR
Whoa! No way!

(35)

52 GALLUS
Impressive...If you can call an
apple shed impressive.

42AB

Applejack frowns at Rainbow Dash.

53 APPLEJACK
Just 'cause it's fast don't mean
it's good.

54 RAINBOW DASH
Can't hear you. Too busy practicing
my Teacher of the Month pose.

54A Rainbow Dash strikes several victorious mid-air poses.

55 APPLEJACK
Don't count your pictures before
they're snapped, Rainbow Dash.

Rainbow Dash flies down to face off with Applejack.

56 RAINBOW DASH
C'mon, these students are totally
gonna vote for a teacher who gets
things done!

57 APPLEJACK
No, they're gonna vote for a
teacher who gets things done right!

The students share worried, torn looks.

58 SMOLDER
Yeah, this isn't awkward at all.

WIPE TO -- LATER. The shed walls are all assembled.
Applejack supports a cross beam and Silverstream, Sandbar and
Ocellus support the walls (now all completed, including the
door-wall).

ABOVE: Rainbow Dash, Smolder, and Gallus fly above to lower
the shed roof down toward the shed frame.

Yona holds a GUIDE ROPE on the ground, using it to "steer"
the roof.

59 APPLEJACK
Steady, steady... Take her nice and
slow. Liiiiiittle to the left.
(MORE)

43 44 45 46 47 (81)

34 35

APPLEJACK (CONT'D)

A hair to the right. Now a
hoofshavin' higher...

60

RAINBOW DASH

JUST BRING IT DOWN ALREADY!

The students STARTLE and drop the ropes!

61

APPLEJACK

Take cover!

Applejack dives for cover! A <CRASH> and a dustcloud...

REVEAL the crushed remains of the apple shed -- the side with
the door still standing. Applejack, Sandbar, Yona, and
Ocellus pop their heads up out of the debris.

Rainbow Dash gives an "oops" wince. Applejack gives her the
stink-eye.

62

APPLEJACK (CONT'D)

I'll give ya one guess whose side
is still standin.'

63

YONA

Yak side!

Yona happily thumps the wall with a hoof. It collapses.
Applejack <SIGHS>.

64

OCELLUS

Um, professors? I'm a little
confused about teamwork now...

65

RAINBOW DASH

That's because you need a different
teacher. Follow me! Last one to
the stream is a rotten apple shed!

Dash flies off with a <SNICKER> as Applejack seethes --

SC. 6 - EXT. RIVER - DAY

The students (with lifejackets), Applejack, and Rainbow Dash
(with a STOPWATCH around her neck) stand at a river's edge
near an eight-creature CANOE (think a crew boat).

66

RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)

Who's ready to smash the all time
Equestria speed record for river
canoeing?

Gallus sottomos to Sandbar.

93 (94)

67 GALLUS
Is that even a thing?

68 SANDBAR
First I've heard of it.

Rainbow Dash shows them the stopwatch.

69 RAINBOW DASH
We need to get to the finish line
before this alarm goes off! That
means you gotta move fast!

Rainbow Dash tosses them paddles... Ocellus ducks hers, and Smolder catches it, then nods and hands it to Ocellus, who smiles gratefully.

70 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Any questions?

71 YONA
Yona have--

956

72 RAINBOW DASH
No time for 'em! Get in the boat.

Everyone climbs aboard as Applejack steps to Dash.

73 APPLEJACK
You really think winnin' some
canoin' record is gonna get you
that teacher of the month trophy?

74 RAINBOW DASH
I'm pretty sure everycreature's
gonna like it a lot better than
pounding nails and cutting wood.

I/C at the river's edge, Yona eyes the boat suspiciously.

75 YONA
Yak not like water.

76 OCELLUS
Sometimes, when I'm scared to try
something new...I whistle.

99 (100)

Yona nods, then starts an <OFF KEY WHISTLE> as she clumsily clamors aboard, <WHISTLING HARDER> when the boat tips. Smolder and Gallus fly up and steady the boat.

77 GALLUS
We got you, Yak.

97 ABC (98)

76A 101 102 103

BACK ON THE TEACHERS - clueless and still arguing.

93 95

78 APPLEJACK
Way I see it, Twilight's gonna give
the teachin' trophy to a TEACHER,
not a RACER.

96

95 8

79 RAINBOW DASH
We'll see about that.

And on their competitive looks, we cut to--

SC. 7 - EXT. RIVER - DAY - MINUTES LATER

TIGHT ON Dash in the front of the canoe (facing backward like a coxswain) with Smolder, Gallus, and Yona. They do a FORWARD STROKE.

104 (105b)

80 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
Stroke, stoke, stroke - harder! Put
your backs into it, newbies!

But Applejack is at the back of the boat, facing opposite Dash, and she's commanding the students in front of her: Ocellus, Silverstream, and Sandbar. They do a BACKWARD STROKE.

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106

81 APPLEJACK
Stroooke, stroooke, stroooke -
slower! Focus on your paddle
technique, y'all!

82 SILVERSTREAM
WHOO HOO! We're really going now!

49 AB 50 51

PULL BACK to see that because of the cross-purpose rowing, the boat remains motionless.

104 (109)

83 SMOLDER
So... When do we get to the part
when we move?

Rainbow Dash leans out to glare at Applejack in the back:

84 RAINBOW DASH
When everycreature starts listening
to me. The leader of my activity...
Applejack. NOW STROKE!

107 (108)

Everycreature finally strokes the same direction and the boat SHOOTs FORWARD. Yona's head snaps back and she begins <WHISTLING> madly.

84A

SC. 8 - ANOTHER PART OF THE RIVER - LATER

The canoe moves at top speed as every creature strokes together. THE RIVER FORKS in the DISTANCE, a large rock defining the separation of the two riverways.

110 116
 85 OCELLUS
 Which way do we go?
 86 RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK
 Left! / Right!
 87 SILVERSTREAM
 Aye-aye captains! / Wait, what?
 88 RAINBOW DASH
 Left! I can see the finish line from here!

52 53 54 55
 113

1st line 2nd line

Rainbow Dash points. ZOOM down the LEFT FORK OF THE RIVER to a CHECKERED FINISH LINE FLAG whipping in the breeze.

Rainbow Dash glances at her stopwatch, and points a hoof in an "onward to battle" pose.

111
 89 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
 Dig in team! We can still beat that record!

As the students row...Applejack stands to make her point.

90 APPLEJACK
 Stop! The Apple Family has been rafting these rivers for years. If we go left, we'll head straight into the Bite-acuda fish!

Applejack points. ZOOM down the LEFT FORK again to stop at to a SCHOOL OF COMICALLY SCARY FLYING FISH that leap into the air <SNAPPING>, JUST IN FRONT OF THE FINISH LINE.

Rainbow Dash stands to face AJ. The canoe rocks.

91 RAINBOW DASH
 Who cares about a few fish?

92 SANDBAR
 Uh, professors?

93 APPLEJACK
 You'll care plenty when they bite ya!

110 111

94 SANDBAR
Guys?

95 RAINBOW DASH
We'll just row around them.

96 SANDBAR 112
ROCK!

96A 124 ABC 125
Dash and AJ see... The boat is on a head-on collision course with the HUGE ROCK at the fork! <CRASH!>

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 9 - RIVER - RESUME

REVEAL the canoe, now split in half, as it floats around either side of the huge rock. Next to the rock (not floating down either fork, so safe from the fish) Dash, Applejack, and the students (except Yona) pop up in the river.

97 SILVERSTREAM 56 57 58 59 6
I LOVE FIELD TRIPS!

115 116 117 6
98 APPLEJACK 123
(to Rainbow Dash)
I hope you're happy.

The stopwatch <ALARM GOES OFF>. Dash glares at it.

99 RAINBOW DASH
Obviously not, because there goes our new speed record!

30 131 132 134
99A 126 127 128 129
Nearby there's a panicked thrashing of legs and hooves, and wild <WHISTLING>.

100 YONA
Help! Yak not swim!

Silverstream and Ocellus <TRANSFORM> INTO SEAPONY FORMS, disappear into the water for a quick beat then pop up next to Yona, buoying her up.

101 OCELLUS
That's okay. Your friends can change into creatures that do!

101A 62 63 135
Yona bear hugs them awkwardly, making them all struggle to stay afloat. But everyone freezes when they hear--

215 ABC

102 TWILIGHT (O.S.)
How's the canoeing...

Everycreature turns to see a flummoxed Twilight walking up.

103 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
... going?

The students and teachers step up onto the bank.

115 117

104 SMOLDER
About as good as the apple shed
building.

105 RAINBOW DASH
I totally had things under control,
until Applejack messed 'em up.

106 APPLEJACK
I did not!

121 BC 122

107 RAINBOW DASH
Did too!

108 APPLEJACK
Did not!

121 122

Twilight stares, aghast, then turns to the students.

109 GALLUS
Yeah. It's been like this all day.

110 SANDBAR
I wouldn't say all day. Just, 99%
of it.

118 119 120

216 AB 217 218

110A

Twilight frowns with a <MARGE NOISE>.

SC. 10 - RIVERBANK - SOON

Twilight paces in front of a chagrined Applejack and Dash,
the students far in the BG, out of earshot.

219 220

111 TWILIGHT
I can't believe this! You're not
teaching teamwork, you're competing
with each other. I thought you were
past that!

112 RAINBOW DASH
We are! Mostly.

137 138 139

137 138 139

113 APPLEJACK
We got carried away with wantin' to be teacher of the month, is all.

219 220

114 TWILIGHT
The Teacher of the Month wouldn't care about being teacher of the month! I know Fluttershy would be thrilled to see another pony win. That's it. I'm taking over this field trip.

Applejack and Dash share a horrified look - then, switching gears, they cooperate:

137 139

115 APPLEJACK
(sells it)
Hold up, Twilight. Don't count out Rainbow Dash for that award just yet. You shoulda seen her fire up those students to build a shed!

116 RAINBOW DASH
(super-sweet)
No way! You're the one the students listen to -- besides, you saved us from the pony-eating fish.
(off Twilight's look)
Long story. But Applejack should definitely be teacher of the month.

219 220

117 TWILIGHT
Hmmm. Maybe you two have learned something after all.

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118 APPLEJACK
Does that mean you'll give us another chance at the Teacher of the--

Dash puts a hoof over Applejack's mouth, completing sweetly:

219 220

119 RAINBOW DASH
--Field Trip?

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120 TWILIGHT
Well...

121 RAINBOW DASH
C'mon, Twilight. We get it. No more arguing. Right, Applejack?

137 139 140
 122 APPLEJACK
 Right as rain and twice as
 refreshin'!

122A 143 AB
 Applejack and Rainbow Dash high-hoof each other and smile to
 Twilight. Twilight frowns, thinking...Then decides.

219 220
 123 TWILIGHT
 Fine. But I'm picking the next
 activity you two lead. A nature
 walk. No pony could possibly argue
 over that. Right?

137 AB 140 AB
 124 RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK
 Right!

125 APPLEJACK
 See? We're agreein' already!

224 AB
 125A Twilight nods warily, then trots off. Behind her, Applejack
 and Rainbow Dash wave and keep up their smiles.

SC. 11 - EXT. TREES / FOREST - SOON

Applejack and Rainbow Dash cheerfully lead their students
 toward the forest. The path FORKS in the road ahead and
 Applejack notices.

144 145
 126 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
 Well look at that! The path splits
 up ahead. Left or right?

Smolder runs a claw over her face and sighs.

127 SMOLDER
 Here we go again.

The students watch the following rapid-fire exchange like a
 tennis match, their teachers out-agreeing each other as they
 grow more and more over-the-top obsequious.

146
 128 APPLEJACK
 Where to, Rainbow Dash?

129 RAINBOW DASH
 I was thinking right... Unless you
 want to go left. Because what makes
 you happy, makes me happy.

130 APPLEJACK
 Ah, heck, forget about me. You want
 to go right, we'll go right.

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146

131 RAINBOW DASH
But teamwork means listening to
other ponies, so it's up to you.

132 APPLEJACK
Well, aren't you as sweet as sugar
apple pie. But it's up to you.

132A 148ABC Yona <SNORTS> and heads for the left fork. 147B

133 YONA
Follow me. Yak know best way. 147B

Applejack and Dash look up to see their students leaving...

134 APPLEJACK
Hey, where y'all goin'?

...And they rush after them.

SC. 12 - EXT. WOODS - LATER

Looking weary, the group pulls up alongside a sheer cliff.

149 150

135 OCELLUS
I think we've gone in the same
circle five times.

136 SANDBAR
Only because 'someponies' won't
make up their minds about which way
to go. 155B 156

Fed up, the group swivels to Dash and Applejack. By now, Dash
and Applejack's mutual respect war is wearing thin.

137 RAINBOW DASH
(forced grin)
Do you want to keep going in a
circle, Applejack?

138 APPLEJACK
(obsequiously)
Up to you, Rainbow Dash. I insist.

139 RAINBOW DASH
(gritted teeth)
No no, I insist.

140 APPLEJACK
(gritted teeth)
But I insisted first...

141 SILVERSTREAM

(confused)

Are we still on a field trip? Cause
this just feels like being lost.

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Smolder rolls her eyes and flies straight up above the trees.

SMOLDER'S POV: Across the chasm (with a familiar river
running below it), lies a clear path back to the School.

Smolder lands next to the group.

142 SMOLDER

We can still get back to school
before dark if we cross that ravine
and stop doubling back.

The teachers overhear this. Dash tries to play it cool.

143 RAINBOW DASH

We knew that. All part of our plan,
right, Applejack?

144 APPLEJACK

Yep. All we have to do is... build
a bridge 'cross that... giant
canyon and we're home free!
(then, to Dash)

That is if ya think a bridge is a
good idea.

145 RAINBOW DASH

Only if you want to build a bridge.

146 GALLUS

STOP! Listen - we can just fly
everyone over and be done.

157 158
| |

147 APPLEJACK

Nope. There's still plenty a time to
teach y'all a lesson in teamwork.

148 RAINBOW DASH

Cooperation!

149 APPLEJACK

Togetherness!

150 RAINBOW DASH

You are so right!

151 APPLEJACK

Only as right as you are!

Smolder interrupts, stepping between them.

149 (150)

152 SMOLDER
OKAY! We'll build the bridge.
What do we use?

6 (A) 6

153 RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK
Vines! / Branches!

The teachers look at each other, then --

6 (A) 6

154 APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH
Vines! / Branches!

They both stare, their forced smiles growing more manic.

6 (A) 6

155 APPLEJACK
I'm goin' with your idea: vines. No
buts about it.

152 6 153 (154)

156 RAINBOW DASH
I'm building with your idea.
Branches. End of story.

SC. 13 - EXT. CHASM EDGE - SOON

QUICK SHOTS - The students watch in disbelief as their manic teachers build their bridges side by side. (Note: when finished, Dash's bridge is a rainbow-like arc, higher than Applejack's straight tightrope-like bridge.

ON Applejack tossing vines out like lasso ropes across the chasm to a rock on the other side. They catch and hold.

Next to her, Rainbow Dash flies back and forth, stacking an arc of sticks together to form a rickety bridge.

-- CLOSE ON Applejack as she wobbles on the tightrope of vines to try to bind them together with another vine pulled tight in her teeth. She pauses to call--

170 171 6 (172)

157 APPLEJACK
Why use a branch, when you could
use a vine!

Applejack yanks the vine with her teeth and it <SNAPS>, nearly sending her flying off the bridge. She grabs the bridge with all four hooves in a death-grip and manages a slightly insane smile.

CLOSE ON Rainbow Dash as she struggles to shove a branch in place. She announces to the students:

176 172

158 RAINBOW DASH
Why didn't I think of branches to
begin with? They're so --

174

The branch breaks, sending Dash tumbling head over-heels onto
the bridge.

159 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
-- easy to work with.

-- Both barely-constructed bridges sway perilously in the
breeze next to each other.

Applejack's hooves keep getting tangled in vines as she works
to add more of them to her tightrope, getting her more and
more wound up. Still:

160 APPLEJACK
These here vines are just the
thing, Rainbow Dash!

Dash fights to wrestle a branch into place, while stopping
other branches from falling off the bridge with her tail,
back hooves, etc.

161 RAINBOW DASH
Not to disagree, but these branches
are the way to --
(the bridge collapses)
GOOOOOOOO!

173

Rainbow Dash's bridge (elevated slightly from Applejack
bridge) SMASHES into Applejack's bridge! The two bridges
tremble for one sickening second, then... drop!

162 RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK
<YELLS!>

Rainbow Dash and Applejack, trapped in a "cage" of vines and
branches, cling to each other as they fall.

The cage jerks to a stop to dangle above the river. Trapped
in their cage, Dash and Applejack look at each other then --

163 RAINBOW DASH / APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
HELP!!!

SC. 14 - EXT. CLIFFSIDE - SAME TIME

The students look down at the dangling cage, then at each
other, their faces shocked and worried.

176 177

164 OCELLUS
(looks for a silver
lining)
At least they're agreeing now...

179 (180)
I

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 15 - EXT. CHASM - DAY - RESUME

ON Rainbow Dash and Applejack. Still clinging to each other,
they look at the turbulent waters below. (NOTE: The students
watch from the cliff above, but aren't in FRAME.)

Dash struggles to fly, but the vines prevent it.

(177)

165 RAINBOW DASH
<efforts> I can't get out!

166 APPLEJACK
Let me try.

Applejack <STRUGGLES> to form a lasso. Managing to pop a leg
out, she lets the rope fly upward, but it doesn't go far.
They watch as the lasso falls downward past them and <SNAP!>

A BITE-ACUDA FISH LEAPS out of the river and EATS the lasso.

SUDDENLY more BITE-ACUDA FLYING FISH leap up, <SNAPPING>,
just inches away from the pony's viney cage. Applejack and
Dash trade a worried look.

167 RAINBOW DASH
Let me guess...Bite-acudas?

168 APPLEJACK
(nods, haunted)
And they look mighty hungry.

SC. 16 - EXT. CHASM EDGE - SAME TIME

The students put their heads together for a quick pow-wow --

169 SANDBAR
We gotta get our professors outta
there! Anycreature have a plan?

170 GALLUS
Leave 'em hanging?

171
What?!

SILVERSTREAM

(64 ABC)
I I I

176 (177)

172 GALLUS
I'm kidding. Kinda.

173 OCELLUS
We need to work fast, and together.

(178A) (178B)

They hear a <RIIIP!!> CLOSE ON the vines connected to the cliffside -- hanging by one tenuous thread!

(177)

174 SMOLDER
But mainly fast...

SC. 17 - EXT. CHASM - CONTINUOUS

The vine cage jerks down closer to the <SNAPPING> fish.

181 (182) (183)

175 APPLEJACK
I hate to admit it, but... This whole mess is kinda our fault.

176 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah. No trophy is worth getting eaten over.

177 APPLEJACK
So whaddya say - ya wanna team up and get ourselves outta this here pickle barrel?

178 RAINBOW DASH 187
I thought you'd never ask!

Their moment of unity is ruined as a PONY-SIZED BITE-ACUDA FISH with weird fishy wings appears to hover inches alongside the twig cage. It smiles, revealing huge pointed teeth.

179 RAINBOW DASH/APPLEJACK 184A-B
Ahhh!!!!

180 PONY-SIZED FISH/OCELLUS
(in Ocellus' voice)
Don't worry! I'm just the distraction.

181 RAINBOW DASH
Ocellus?

182 APPLEJACK
You nearly scared the cutie marks off us!

The pony-sized Ocellus fish smiles once more before she splashes down into the school of Bite-acuda fish!

(185A) (185B)

(186)

The fish look at Ocellus. She <SNAPS> her massive jaws at them. The fish TAKE IN TERROR and turn and dolphin away. Ocellus chases them away downstream.

Then suddenly, the vine cage <BREAKS> free and falls toward the water! Applejack and Rainbow Dash cling to each other--

1836 (184AB) 183 APPLEJACK / RAINBOW DASH
<yells>

The cage JERKS to a stop above the water--

184 SILVERSTREAM (O.S.) 65AB (66)
Need a lift?

Applejack and Dash look to see Smolder, Silverstream and Gallus, the cage safely in their talons.

As Applejack and Rainbow Dash are lifted upward --

SC. 18 - EXT. CHASM EDGE - CONTINUOUS

The fliers carefully lower the cage to the ground.

188 190 (191) 185 YONA
Yak smash!

Yona tramples the imprisoning branches as Sandbar bite/pulls away the vines, making a hole in the cage.

186 SANDBAR
Welcome back, Professors!

Applejack and Rainbow Dash step out of a pony-sized hole to the collective <CHEER> of our students (not Ocellus).

187 STUDENTS
Yes! / Nice! / Alright! / Woohoo! /
Yak cheer!

188 RAINBOW DASH 194
Now that was a rescue!

189 APPLEJACK
And y'all did it together!

The students trade looks.

190 GALLUS
(shrugs)
No big. Those fish weren't even a thing.

190A 193 Gallus
He turns, cocky, to find himself eye-to-eye with OCELLUS in BITE-ACUDA form. He <STARTLES>

188 191

191 OCELLUS

Oops. Sorry.

Ocellus contritely turns back to her Changeling form.

192 SILVERSTREAM

Ha ha! BEST FIELD TRIP EVER!

69AB 70 71 726

SC. 19 - INT. SCHOOL OF FRIENDSHIP - HALLWAY - EVENING

Applejack, Dash, and their students walk in, tired but happy. Twilight anxiously waits to greet them.

225 226

193 TWILIGHT

How was the field trip? What did you all learn?

Applejack and Dash share a look. Uh oh - here it goes. And then. Yona steps forward.

197 198 199

194 YONA

Yak learn ponies smart!

195 SILVERSTREAM

Yeah! Professor Applejack and ~~Professor~~ Rainbow Dash were such good teachers.

73 74 75 76 77 78 79

Applejack and Dash trade disbelieving looks.

Gallus nods, begrudgingly adding--

198 199 200

196 GALLUS

It was kinda crazy genius. They showed us what not to do so we'd figure out what we should do.

Twilight raises an eyebrow and looks to the teachers.

225 226

197 TWILIGHT

Really?

228ABC

Applejack and Rainbow Dash smile big, going with it.

198

198 SANDBAR

It took us awhile to get it...

199 SMOLDER

Especially at the ravine. It would have been so much easier to just fly home.

200 SILVERSTREAM
But instead, our professors built
bridges the wrong way just to show
us how important teamwork is.

201 GALLUS
Yeah, that was super-dangerous.
Talk about commitment!

202 OCELLUS
We know it's too early to pick the
teacher of the month... But we'd
like you to consider Rainbow Dash
and Applejack.

203 TWILIGHT
Thank you for telling me! I'm so
glad to hear your field trip was a
success. I'll make sure to
schedule another one right away!

The students beam, stoked at the prospect, and happily exit.

Twilight smiles to Rainbow Dash and Applejack, who still both
look amazed.

204 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
You were actually just competing
the entire time, weren't you?

205 APPLEJACK
To tell ya the truth...? Yep.

206 RAINBOW DASH
Well, not all the time. I agreed
with you for the whole nature walk!

Applejack turns on Dash in disbelief.

207 APPLEJACK
Only cause you were anglin' for
that teacher of the month award.

208 RAINBOW DASH
ME? YOU were the one doing the
angling --

Twilight <SIGHS> as Applejack and Dash continue on...

SMASH CUT TO BLACK.

END EPISODE