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TEASERSC. 1 INT. VILLAIN'S LAIR - NIGHT

Late night. Everything is quiet... ALMOST everything. GROGAR moves silently through the lair towards the door. A <COUGH> from behind startles him. He turns. COZY GLOW stares at him sweetly.

1 COZY GLOW
Where ya goin?

2 GROGAR
Since you three were unable to retrieve my Bewitching Bell we need another source of great magical power to defeat Twilight and her friends.

Cozy's eyebrow arches, not buying it, but she forces a smile. Grogar leaves. Cozy Glow's forced cheerfulness disappears.

3 COZY GLOW
He's gone!

Chrysalis and Tirek step out of the shadows.

4 TIREK
I don't trust him.

5 COZY GLOW
None of us do.

Chrysalis reveals the Bewitching Bell.

6 CHRYSALIS
Which is why double-crossing him with his own bell will be so satisfying.

Tirek rolls his eyes.

7 TIREK
IF we can figure out how to USE it.

They study the bell. Chrysalis pokes it with her hoof. Tirek picks it up and rings it. It's just a bell. Nothing magical at all. Cozy looks thoughtfully at it.

8 COZY GLOW
Twilight Sparkle may be the worst.
But she does know stuff.
(MORE)

48 49
↓ ↓

COZY GLOW (CONT'D)

She once said the archives in
Canterlot has a restricted area...
The Starswirl the Bearded Wing?

55 56
| |

195
|

9 TIREK

Celestia and Luna love to hoarde
information for themselves. If
there's an answer it's there.

196 197 198 199
| | | |

48 49
| |

10 CHRYSALIS

My triumphant return to Canterlot?
I like the sound of that.

Cozy claps her hooves together.

11 COZY GLOW

Ohmygosh. ROAD TRIP!!!!
(As menacingly as
possible)
I'll make SNACKS!

50 51 52
| | |

Off their evil expressions we...

END TEASER

ACT ONE

SC. 2 - INT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/GUEST ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

Diagrams, charts and lists are neatly pinned to boards.
TWILIGHT SPARKLE hums to herself as she makes some notes on a
board. SPIKE relaxes on a pillow reading a Power Ponies
comic. There's a <KNOCK> at the door.

PRINCESS CELESTIA and PRINCESS LUNA enter.

25AB 26
| | |

12 CELESTIA

Sorry to interrupt. We know you're
busy planning The Summer Sun
Celebration as we requested. But-

The princesses take in the organized room and the relaxed
Princess of Friendship.

59 60 61 62
| | | |

13 LUNA

Things seem... calmer in here than
we would have expected.

14 SPIKE

(without looking up)
No complaints here.

Twilight continues to works as she talks, checking boxes on a
chart, flipping through invitations, etc.

15 TWILIGHT
With the exception of the odd trivia night, I've made a lot of progress since the ~~Grand Galloping Gala~~ *Royal Swanifying Ceremony*. You may not know this about me, but I occasionally freak out!

The Princesses share a look. Twilight grins at them.

16 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
That was a joke. I know you're worried about us being ready to eventually rule Equestria. I wanted to show you with the Summer Sun Celebration how much I've improved. So I focused on delegating and trusting others! It's been GREAT!

The princesses share a look.

17 LUNA
That's actually what we came to talk to you about. This may be the last Summer Sun Celebration you'll need to plan...

THIS stops Twilight. She looks at the princesses nervously.

18 TWILIGHT
Did I do something wrong?

19 CELESTIA
Of course not. It's just that the Celebration has always been about us. My defeat of Luna.

20 LUNA
And, thanks to you and your friends, my reunion with my sister.

21 CELESTIA
Now that we're leaving, we don't see a need for the holiday any longer.

22 TWILIGHT
Now that you're...?

The princesses exchange a look. Luna nods to Celestia.

23 CELESTIA
My sister and I have decided the time for us to retire is upon us.
(MORE)

27 (28)

↓ ↓

59 61 62

↓ ↓ ↓

CELESTIA (CONT'D)

You and your friends have proven
you are ready to lead Equestria.

24 LUNA

And after working through our
issues as travel companions, we
crave more adventure as well.

(66)

The sister's horns glow. The repaired amulet appears from
behind them and floats toward Twilight.

27 (28)

↓ ↓

25 CELESTIA

So let this be the last Summer Sun
Celebration as Equestria leaves
behind the old to embrace the new.

Twilight stares at the amulet. It's really happening...

59 61 (62)

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26 RARITY (PRE-LAP)

My goodness! How are YOU feeling
about all this?

SC. 3 - INT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/STAINED GLASS ANTECHAMBER -
LATER

Twilight, still staring at the amulet, is talking to SPIKE,
RARITY, RAINBOW DASH, APPLEJACK, FLUTTERSHY and PINKIE PIE.
They all watch her warily.

67 (68)

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27 PINKIE PIE

Because you haven't been super
freaky-outy lately, but something
like this could definitely send you
into full freaky-outy mode.

Twilight takes a moment to realizes she really IS Okay.

(5) 68

↓ ↓

28 TWILIGHT

I'm actually fine. BUT if this is
going to be the LAST Summer Sun
Celebration I want to make sure
it's the best Celebration EVER.

67 (68)

↓ ↓

29 RAINBOW DASH

(to herself)

Please don't give us more work.
Please don't give us more work.

4 5 (6)

↓ ↓

30 TWILIGHT

So even though everything was done,
I thought of a few last minute
changes I could use your help with.

67 68
↓ ↓

31 RAINBOW DASH
ARGH! More work. I KNEW IT!

69 70A B
|| |

32 DISCORD (O.S.)
The end of a beloved holiday? Last
minute changes to a celebration?
That sounds positively...

Discord appears behind Twilight.

67 68
↓ ↓

33 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Chaotic.

34 APPLEJACK
What are you doin here?

35 DISCORD
I've known Celestia and Luna longer
than any of you! I terrorized THEM,
they turned me to STONE. If this is
the last Summer Sun Situation, I
simply can't miss it.

He takes in the room. A bag of popcorn appears in his hands.

36 DISCORD (CONT'D)
I see I've arrived JUST in time for
the "Twilight gives her friends an
impossibly long and overly detailed
list" predicament! A bit over-done
but NEVER fails to entertain.

4 5
| |

Twilight smirks at Discord as she reveals six simple
notecards. They float to each of the ponies (and Spike).

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37 TWILIGHT
I guess some-draconequis isn't the
know it all he thinks he is!

Everypony looks at the note cards in surprise.

67 68
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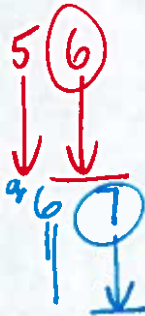
38 RAINBOW DASH
This is it?

39 TWILIGHT
What?

The ponies all share a look.

67 68
| |

40 RAINBOW DASH
We were kinda with Discord on this
one.



41 TWILIGHT

No more crazy lists. No more freaking out. There's no need. With your help I know we've got this.

42 DISCORD

Ugh. Character growth is so BORING. Do I at least get my own note card?

Twilight rolls her eyes, scribbles on a notecard and floats it to Discord.



43 TWILIGHT

There. Now, I need to go re-write my speech, but if you all look at your cards you'll see--

44 DISCORD

Can't talk now super busy have so much to get done before sunrise!

Discord snaps his fingers and everypony but Twilight disappears.

SC. 4 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/COURTYARD - SAME

Ponies rush to and fro. Tirek, Chrysalis and Cozy Glow peak out from behind a stack of boxes in an alleyway.

71 72ABC 73

45 TIREK

Why are so many ponies up in the middle of the night!?

75 ABCDEF 76

Tirek points to banners emblazoned with an ornate sun.

46 COZY GLOW

It's that silly sun holiday.

80

47 CHRYSALIS

How many holidays do you ponies HAVE?! No matter. Getting into the castle won't be a problem.

74

48 TIREK

Are you sure about that?

He points up. Above them, strange wind turbines hover above the castle. A bird flies close to one and is forcibly blown backwards.

49 CHRYSALIS

Those are... new. But even so...

49A

77 78

Chrysalis takes the form of a palace guard and walks confidently past two guards to a closed door. She tries opening the door but it won't budge. She turns to the guards.

72 73 81

50 CHRYSLIS/GUARD
Transfer. Have to head inside. Open up.

The guards look at her suspiciously. A third guard walks past them, presses his gold medallion to the door and it swings open. The doors swing shut again.

51 CHRYSLIS/GUARD (CONT'D)
Right. Of course.

Chrysalis/Guard presses her seal against the door. Nothing happens. The guards eyes narrow suspiciously.

52 CHRYSLIS/GUARD (CONT'D)
(nervous laughter)
Do yours get glitchy too? More medallions more problems amiright?

Chrysalis quickly walks away. The Guards shrug at each other. She returns to the others reverting to Changeling form.

73

53 CHRYSLIS
They've increased security into the castle. This is going to be more challenging than I thought.

A bright <FLASH> and Discord, Rainbow Dash, Fluttershy, Applejack, Rarity, Pinkie and Spike appear out of nowhere. The villains duck behind the crates, out of sight.

82 88

54 RAINBOW DASH
Could you NOT go popping us all over the place please?!

55 DISCORD
I'm being helpful. Time is of the essence! So let's GO TEAM!

9 10

82 88

56 FLUTTERSHY
We need to know WHAT we're doing before we go and do it.

Pinkie bounces as the others check their note cards.

57 APPLEJACK
Pinkie, you and I are givin' Braeburn and the Appleoosan ponies some adjustments to the menu.

82 88
 58 RAINBOW DASH
 Fluttershy and I are meeting the
 pegasi from Cloudsdale to give them
 changes to the weather.

83 84 85 86
 59 RARITY
 Spike, we are to update The Flaming
 Sky Firework unicorn troupe with
 Twilight's new vision.

11 A B C
 60 DISCORD
 And I'M supposed to--
 (reads notecard)
 Make sure Discord doesn't do
 anything Discord-y.
 (looks up)
 Well THAT's annoyingly accurate.
specific

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The ponies rush off. Discord snaps his fingers and
 disappears. The villains peek their heads out.

87 88
 61 TIREK
 Increased Security on a crowded
 holiday WITH Twilight and her
 friends bumbling around? This is
 impossible.

89 90 91 92 93

Chrysalis turns to look at them, an evil glint in her eye.

88
 62 CHRYSALIS
 No. This is perfect. We need a
 distraction and those ridiculous
 ponies just gave it to us. Now, do
 exactly as I tell you...

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END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 5 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/OUTSIDE KITCHEN - LATER

62A 95
 Several earth ponies unload wagons FULL of pies, tarts and
 assorted foods. Pinkie pops up, startling them.

96 98
 63 PINKIE PIE
 Step AWAY from the WAGONS! OFFICIAL
 food tasters here on OFFICIAL FOOD
 TASTING BUSINESS!

Nearby, Braeburn studies Applejack's notecard.

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98

64 BRAEBURN

Ain't gonna be easy, but I think we
can whip up these new cookies
Twilight wants before sunrise.

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99

65 APPLEJACK

Appleloosan's are the hardest workin'
earth ponies I know. If anyone can
handle some last minute bakin'
Braeburn, It's y'all.

66 PINKIE PIE

Before you make anything NEW we
better make sure THIS food is up to
our VERY high standards...

66A in 99

Pinkie eats a tart. AND a muffin. Okay, three muffins.
Braeburn turns to Applejack.

67 BRAEBURN

We brought plenty for the
celebration, but if she keeps
testin' we might be in trouble.

102AB 103

Applejack grabs Pinkie and drags her off.

99

68 PINKIE PIE

But I SEE A SUSPICIOUS LOOKING
COOKIE!!!

Applejack drags Pinkie off. From the shadows nearby Tirek
watches them go (think monster in a horror movie). An earth
pony carrying sugar gets too close. Tirek's horns glow as he
absorbs just a small amount of the ponies essence (growing
slightly larger in the process). The pony stumbles.

69 BRAEBURN

You okay?

70 EARTH PONY #1

I feel... weak all of the sudden.

31AB 32

Ponies rush over to assist the fallen pony. Tirek stalks
behind them and absorbs the essence from two more ponies who
wobble unsteadily.

Braeburn turns quickly as THOSE ponies collapse. He sees a
blur as Tirek returns to the shadows.

97 99B

71 BRAEBURN

Is somepony back there?

Braeburn checks it out. Tirek retreats further into the
shadows as Braeburn peers into the darkness.

9-99

72 EARTH PONY #4
What is it?

Suddenly Braeburn collapses as well. He turns to the others.

73 BRAEBURN
(weak)
Everypony-- get away from the food
til we figure out what's goin on!

100 101

Other ponies help Braeburn and the "sick" ponies. Once they clear out, a larger stronger Tirek steps out from the shadows, flexing his newly grown biceps, grinning. He grabs two wagons with ease, carrying them into the alley.

SC. 6 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/GARDENS - SAME

CLOSE ON an officious, nervous looking pegasus, FEATHER FLATTERFLY holding a note card and losing it.

107 108

74 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
THE PRINCESS WANTS WHAT?!

Widen to reveal several pegasi carting around canisters of weather. They all stop and stare at the panicked pegasus. Fluttershy and Rainbow Dash watch him wide-eyed.

75 RAINBOW DASH
Just what's on that little card. No big deal.

76 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
No big..?! It's a MUCH more aggressive weather pattern that what was originally ordered! This is very irregular. We'll need to-- No. First we must-- Wait. Ohhhhh!

1119 } create a ref

77 FLUTTERSHY
Take a breath!

Feather obediently takes a breath.

78 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
Let it out slowly.

He does.

79 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
Tell the princess we will do our best.

Rainbow Dash and Fluttershy turn to go.

107 108

80 FLUTTERSHY
We're sure you're going to do an excellent job.

81 RAINBOW DASH
We are?

Fluttershy gives Rainbow Dash a look.

82 RAINBOW DASH (CONT'D)
OH! Yea. Totally. You're not gonna panic and screw it up AT ALL.

They leave. Feather mops his brow with a wing nervously.

83 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
I'm not built for high pressure situations.

112A 113

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84 COZY GLOW (O.S.)
Sounds like you need some help...

Feather turns to see Cozy Glow smiling up at him. He checks his clipboard.

85 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
Who are you?

86 COZY GLOW
Somepony who is organized enough to handle the small stuff so you can focus on the big picture.

109B 110

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87 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
The big...? YES! That sounds right!

Cozy reads Twilight's note card. Her grin widens.

88 COZY GLOW
This kind of weather has to be handled delicately. Good thing I'm here. I'll take care of EVERYTHING.

SC. 7 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/OUTDOOR AMPITHEATER - SAME

Several spectacular fireworks explode in the night sky. PAN DOWN to see Spike staring up at them, wide eyed.

A troupe of unicorns stand to the side, horns glowing as they create an array of fireworks. Rarity stands next to a fiercely proud unicorn, FYRE FLARE.

116 118 (119)

89 RARITY
Simply breathtaking! The Flaming
Sky Firework Troupe is a marvel.

FYRE FLARE nods in thanks.

(120)

90 FYRE FLARE
We take pride in what we do.

91 SPIKE
These last minute changes aren't
too challenging are they?

Fyre Flare bristles at that.

92 FYRE FLARE
The more challenging the better. We
aim to astound. Now, if you don't
mind, we DO have a new routine to
prepare
(then, to her squad)
UNICORNS! HORNS AT THE READY!

} create a
ref

Rarity and Spike exit as the unicorns practice. Chrysalis
watches from the shadows, grinning. She transforms into a
haughty looking unicorn and strides towards the others.

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93 CHRYSALIS/CRACKLE
Very impressive!

94 FYRE FLARE
Thank you. Unfortunately we have no
room for anypony else at this time.
I'm sorry...

95 CHRYSALIS/CRACKLE
Crackle Cossette. And I don't want
to join your silly little troupe.

96 FYRE FLARE
Pardon me?

97 CHRYSALIS/CRACKLE
I meant no offense! It just seems a
pity for unicorns to waste their
talents on something so...
inconsequential.

(122)

One by one, the other unicorns stop practicing and listen.

98 CHRYSALIS/CRACKLE (CONT'D)
Unicorns wield magic. We are the
most powerful ponies in the land.
(MORE)

(121)

CHRYSA LIS/CRACKLE (CONT'D)

Don't you ever feel you're destined
for more than... performances?

Pyre and the other unicorns look at each other, considering
Chrysalis' words.

99 TWILIGHT (PRE-LAP)

It's all coming together!

SC. 8 - INT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/STAINED GLASS ANTECHAMBER -
LATER

Twilight and the others are all gathered together. Twilight
flips through the note cards from earlier.

100 TWILIGHT

Thanks to all of you I really think
this is going to be the best Summer
Sun Celebration ever!

101 RARITY

You've done an outstanding job!

102 TWILIGHT

We've ALL done an outstanding job!

103 DISCORD

What about me? You haven't heard MY
update yet.

Twilight looks mildly nervous.

104 DISCORD (CONT'D)

You'll be happy to know that I've
been watching myself all night and
I have yet to do ONE Discord-y
thing!

105 LUNA (O.S.)

Now THAT truly IS amazing.

Everypony turns as Celestia and Luna join them.

106 CELESTIA

Twilight, we know you had
difficulties using the amulet to
raise the sun and moon. We thought
perhaps a practice session before
the festivities might be in order?

Twilight blushes.

10 11
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107 TWILIGHT
That's... a good idea.
(to friends as she leaves)
Thank you all. So much.

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She exits. The ponies all watch her go with pride.

128 131 132
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108 APPLEJACK
I sure am prouda her. She's REALLY
got things under control.

134
|

109 SPIKE
She finally realizes things will
turn out fine even when she isn't
micromanaging every little detail.
~~of every little thing.~~

135 136
|

Suddenly the doors burst open. Two earth ponies drag Braeburn
in, completely weakened.

132
|

110 APPLEJACK
Braeburn! What's wrong!

111 BRAEBURN
Earth ponies. Sick. Food missin.
Can't bake anything.

A palace guard rushes in, helmet gone, mane a mess.

112 PALACE GUARD
Something is wrong with the
weather. Storms, hurricanes, Fog.
You name it. It's a disaster out
there!

129 130
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Fyre Flare strides in, flanked by two other unicorns.

132 133
|

113 FYRE FLARE
Rarity! Please inform her highness
that we will NOT be performing. A
simple fireworks show is beneath
us. We're better than that.

The unicorns turn and stride out. They all stare at each
other in shock.

114 APPLEJACK
What the--? Everything was fine a
minute ago.

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Fluttershy looks out the window and her eyes widen.

128 (133)

115 FLUTTERSHY

Apparently a lot can change in a
minute.

Everypony rushes to join her. Outside ponies pull sick earth
ponies to safety as pegasi try to contain rogue weather.
Angry unicorns gather around Fyre Flare to hear her speak.

116 RAINBOW DASH

It's total chaos out there!

The ponies and Spike slowly turn to stare at Discord.

117 DISCORD

~~It wasn't~~ ME!

Don't look at

15AB 11

16AB 11

17AB 11

17A

128 (133)

118 FLUTTERSHY

What are we gonna do?

119 TWILIGHT (O.S.)

Do about what?

Everypony turns to see Twilight in the doorway to the throne
room. Everypony (but Applejack) comically blocks the window.

128 133

120 SPIKE

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE!!

137AB 11

Twilight levitates a stack of note cards.

10 11

121 TWILIGHT

I forgot these. You guys okay?

12AB 11

128 (133)

122 APPLEJACK

Twilight, we're sorry but--

Rainbow Dash spreads a wing in front of Applejack's face.

123 RAINBOW DASH

BUT! We don't know what to do now
that everything's all ready!

124 PINKIE PIE

Yea! Since there's no last minute
disasters that could ruin the
celebration we're gonna be SO
BORED.

Twilight grins.

10 (11)

128 133

125 TWILIGHT
I guess I was TOO organized! I'll
try to come up with a few last
minute errands for you before
sunrise.

126 RAINBOW DASH
(WAY OVER THE TOP)
WELL THAT'S A RELIEF.

139 (146)

Twilight heads back into the throne room. She turns one last
time. They all smile ridiculously wide. Twilight exits.

141 (142)

127 APPLEJACK
Y'all KNOW my element is honesty
right? Explain to me why we didn't
TELL her the truth?!

128 RARITY
Twilight is finally learning not to
let her stress get the better of
her. If she finds out everything
went wrong it could be devastating!

129 FLUTTERSHY
She would be so upset!

130 RAINBOW DASH
She'll totally freak out.

131 APPLEJACK
Well, what do y'all suggest?

Pinkie waves a hoof in the air.

132 PINKIE PIE
Ooooo! Call on me! Let's just fix
it all before she notices! No lying
necessary!

133 APPLEJACK
I guess...

134 SPIKE
We'd need a miracle.

(143) (143)

(142)

135 RAINBOW DASH
We HAVE a miracle!
(to Discord)
Don't we?

Whip Pan to Discord who is dressed in saintly robes, looking
every bit the miracle.

18 19

136 DISCORD
I suppose I COULD fix everything...
But isn't the REAL miracle here the
miracle of teamwork and character
growth?

Discord pops out of existence.

141 142

137 RAINBOW DASH
OH COME ON!

142

138 FLUTTERSHY
Discord is right. Twilight needs
US. Whatever happened, we can fix
this.

138A

From the window, General panicked Pony <WALLA> thunder
<RUMBLING> and a <CRACK> of lightning.

139 SPIKE
What DID happen?

PAN DOWN outside the window to Tirek, Cozy Glow and Chrysalis
watching the complete mess they made.

140 COZY GLOW
Best. Road trip. EVER.

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 10 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/OUTSIDE KITCHEN - MINUTES
LATER

Pinkie Pie (in a Doctor's outfit) is examining the sick earth
ponies.

148 149

141 PINKIE PIE
Even if I was an actual doctor I
would have no idea what's wrong

142 APPLEJACK
There's gotta be a reason. SOMETHIN
got 'em all sick. Maybe the food?

Applejack studies the food in one of the wagons. Pinkie
freezes about to put another muffin in her mouth.

142A

143 PINKIE PIE
I ate the food too! Does that mean
I'm sick? Oh no! I feel... I
feel...

Pinkie coughs, feels her forehead, dramatically collapses and takes a few <RASPY> breaths, Then pops up smiling and perky.

148 (149)

144 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Nope. I feel fine.

144A Applejack rolls her eyes.

SC. 11 - INT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/COURTYARD - SAME

Cozy Glow grins up at a palace guard distracting him. Behind him, Tirek absorbs his life force and he collapses. Chrysalis levitates the GROANING, unconscious guard and presses his medallion against the door. It swings open. Chrysalis hides the guard in some nearby bushes as they enter the castle.

SC. 12 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/GARDENS - SAME

Thunder <BOOMS> and lightning <CRACKS> across the sky. Rainbow Dash and a team of Wonderbolts fly around frantically as Fluttershy consoles a devastated Feather Flatterfly.

151 (152)

145 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
I don't know how this happened. I'm going to be FIRED for sure!

146 FLUTTERSHY
Rainbow Dash and the Wonderbolts will have all the weather rounded up ANY minute.

(157)

146A Another <CRASH> of lightning and Rainbow Dash crashes down in front of them.

(152)

147 RAINBOW DASH
Or not...

SC. 13 - INT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/STAINED GLASS ANTECHMBER - SAME

Cozy pokes her head into the antechamber. She turns to Chrysalis and Tirek.

148 COZY GLOW
Not here. The Archives are in a different part of the castle.

They hurry down a corridor. A suspicious beady eyed goose sticks its head out of the throne room door and waddles after them.

SC. 14 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/AMPITHEATER - SAME

Rarity tries to be as charming and convincing as possible.

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(152)

149 RARITY
What about aiming for perfection?

(154B)
\$1

150 FYRE FLARE
We've set our sights higher.

151 SPIKE
Higher than perfection?

152 FYRE FLARE
Higher than putting on a silly
little show for the other ponies.

(153B)
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153 RARITY
You were so excited before. What
changed?

SC. 15 - INT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/LIBRARY - MOMENTS LATER

The goose waddles around the corner and finds... another goose staring back at it. They both <HONK> at each other. Satisfied, the goose walks away. The other goose transforms into Chrysalis. She turns back to see Cozy Glow picking a lock. The doors to the library swing open and the villains stride inside.

SC. 16 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/COURTYARD - SAME

Celestia, Luna and Twilight walk through the courtyard.

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154 TWILIGHT
You two just enjoy the festivities!
I have a few surprises in store for-

Discord pops into existence, looking around expectantly.

155 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Yes Discord?

(18B)
\$1

156 DISCORD
Don't mind me. I'm just here for
the chaos.

Twilight looks confused. Thunder <RUMBLES> in the distance.

157 DISCORD (CONT'D)
Ah. Here we go!

A soaking wet Rainbow Dash, flanked by two pegasi fly by.
Twilight watches her go suspiciously.

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She turns to follow Rainbow Dash and runs into a giant pot of soup on wheels. Pinkie pops her head around the side and nervously smiles. Twilight flies up to smell the pot.

159 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Pinkie? Is this soup?

160 PINKIE PIE
Yes. I was REALLLY hungry?

Voices yelling grab Twilight's attention. She turns to see Rarity and Spike talking to a mob of angry unicorns.

161 RARITY
No pony understands wanting to take pride in your work more than I do --

162 UNICORN #1
You could do more with your magic than make frilly dresses!

163 RARITY
No pony does frills anymore! This season is all about simplicity.

164 SPIKE
Not the POINT Rarity...

Twilight is about to fly over to join them when-

165 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
PRINCESS!!!

Feather Flatterfly throws himself at Twilight's feet.

166 FEATHER FLATTERFLY (CONT'D)
I BEG your forgiveness. It's entirely my fault!

167 TWILIGHT
What is?

A sudden <CRACK> of lightning and rain pours down on all of them.

168 FEATHER FLATTERFLY
That.

A soaked Fluttershy joins them.

169 FLUTTERSHY
Just a SLIGHT hiccup in the weather.

169A 163 164
169B 165
Rainbow Dash and the other pegasi push the storm cloud out of the way. Nearby Applejack drags a wagon filled with sugar and flour.

170 TWILIGHT
Applejack? What is going on?

171 APPLEJACK
I TOLD Y'ALL THIS WAS A BAD IDEA
BUT NOPONY EVER LISTENS TO ME!

Twilight's eye twitches. She's OVER. IT.

172 TWILIGHT
THAT'S IT!
(then, calmly)
Pardon me Princesses.

172A 166A 166B
Twilight grabs all of her friends with magic and flies away from the craziness, dragging them with her. She plops them down.

173 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
I thought everything was fine. WHAT
IS GOING ON?!

They all look at each other guiltily.

174 APPLEJACK
Everything WAS going fine...

175 PINKIE PIE
Until it totally wasn't.

176 RARITY
We have no idea what went wrong

177 FLUTTERSHY
We tried to fix it ourselves.

178 TWILIGHT
Why didn't you TELL ME?

179 RAINBOW DASH
We didn't want you to freak out.

180 TWILIGHT
And you thought NOT telling me
everything was a total DISASTER
would AVOID a freak out!?

181 SPIKE
When you say it like that it sounds
like a really bad plan.

BEAT. Twilight's eye twitches. The ponies prepare for the worst.

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182 DISCORD
(giddy) Here it comes....

But instead, Twilight takes a deep breath and let's it out slowly.

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183 TWILIGHT
I know how I used to react. But I really HAVE changed. Panicking won't solve anything. But we can handle whatever problems come our way as long as we handle them together.

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36 AB

184 CELESTIA (O.S.)
Spoken like a true leader.

Twilight turns to see that Celestia, Luna and Discord have joined them.

185 CELESTIA (CONT'D)
How can we help?

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Twilight smiles and levitates a scroll.

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186 TWILIGHT
I love a good to-do list. So tell me exactly what happened and we can figure out exactly what to-do to fix it!

FADE TO:

SC. 17 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/TWILIGHT - MONTAGE

Celestia and Fluttershy lead a group of miscellaneous ponies to care for the sick earth ponies while Applejack directs a crew of pegasi who fly in carrying bags of food.

Feather Flatterfly directs Pegasi, Rainbow Dash, Discord and Luna to contain the rogue weather.

Twilight and Rarity talk with Fyre Flare and the unicorns. Pinkie Pie and Spike lead ponies carrying fireworks and party cannons over. It's clear the idea is to work together. Pinkie's excitement gets a smile and nod from Fyre Flare.

SC. 18 - INT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/LIBRARY/RESTRICTED AREA - CONTINUOUS

Tirek, Chrysalis and Cozy Glow search stacks of books. Cozy waves a spell book up in the air, alerting the others. She's found what they need!

FADE TO:

SC. 19 - EXT. CANTERLOT CASTLE/OUTDOOR AMPITHEATER - DAWN

A layer of fog covers the ground. Ominous storm clouds block the moon. Thunder <BOOMS>. Lightning lights the sky.

Feather Flatterfly gives a signal and pegasi soar through the fog, dispersing it as they part the clouds, revealing the full moon. Fyre Flare and the unicorns project a sparkling image of the 'mare in the moon' over the actual moon.

Fyre Flare nods to Pinkie and a team comprised of unicorns and other ponies. The image of the mare bursts into fireworks as Pinkie and the others shoot cannons and ignite more fireworks that explode in the sky

Twilight steps forward with the amulet, her horn glowing bright. The moon slowly sets as the sun begins to rise. Celestia and Luna join her on either side, the rising sun frames them perfectly. The crowd of assembled ponies cheers.

187 TWILIGHT

This celebration has always been a reminder not to fear the night, for there is always a new day to look forward to. But as we look towards Equestria's future, I am sad to say that today will be the last Summer Sun Celebration...

The crowd gasps. Twilight smiles up at the princesses.

188 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)

...because there is something even more important to celebrate. There are two ponies who have watched over us, night and day for as long as we can remember. We will no longer commemorate their battle or their reunion. Instead we will take this day to celebrate how much they mean to all of us. From this day forward today will be known as THE FESTIVAL OF THE TWO SISTERS.

The crowd goes WILD. Celestia and Luna are overcome with emotion.

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CELESTIA

||| ~~we~~ don't know what to say.

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Twilight beams. As the crowd cheers the princesses walk offstage together where the others are waiting for them. Pinkie holds a sun cookie in one hand and a moon cookie in the other.

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190 PINKIE PIE

These sun and moon cookies were a GREAT idea Twilight! AND a brand new holiday? You're my kinda princess!

21 22AB

191 TWILIGHT

I'm just glad we pulled it off.

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192 APPLEJACK

About that. We just wanted to say we're real sorry.

193 RARITY

You told us you changed.

194 FLUTTERSHY

As your friends we should have trusted you.

195 RAINBOW DASH

Next time you say you're not gonna freak out, we'll believe you.

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196 TWILIGHT

Good. Because I'm sure there's going to plenty of things I'll need my best friend's help with.

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They all hug. Discord looks at Twilight thoughtfully.

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197 DISCORD

You know, it really does seem like you just MIGHT be ready for whatever comes next, your majesty.

SC. 20 - INT. GROGAR'S LAIR - LATER

Grogar enters his lair. Cozy Glow, Tirek (no longer as buff as he was earlier) and Chrysalis patiently wait for him.

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198 COZY GLOW
So...? Did you find what you were
looking for?

Grogar smiles his most sinister smile.

199 GROGAR
Once again I've found success where
you all find failure. I have
located what I sought and tomorrow
I will set out to retrieve it. When
I return Equestria will finally be
ours for the taking.

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Grogar retires to his study. Tirek folds his arms, pouting.

200 CHRYSALIS
Stop pouting.

201 COZY GLOW
You knew you couldn't stay that
buff. You had to return all that
life force to those earth ponies so
Grogar doesn't suspect anything.

202 TIREK
I don't have to LIKE it.

203 COZY GLOW
Well, I don't like that we worked
so hard to destroy their party and
they still pulled it off, but you
don't see me complaining.

204 CHRYSALIS
Our goal wasn't to destroy it was
to distract.

She levitates the bell and the spell book.

205 CHRYSALIS (CONT'D)
And now we have exactly what we
need.

206 TIREK
And no time to waste. We have to
master the Bell before Grogar
returns. ~~from Saddle Arabia.~~

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207 CHRYSALIS
We've managed to stay one step
ahead of everypony so far. We'll be
fine.

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208 COZY GLOW

It really was SUPER easy to get all
those earth ponies and pegasi and
unicorns to turn on each other.

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Chrysalis cocks her head, thoughtful.

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209 CHRYSALIS

It was wasn't it. Now THAT is
something to think about...

As Chrysalis starts to put together a new plan, we reach...

END