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Logline: *Twilight Sparkle and Shining Armor settle an old sibling rivalry score when the Mane Six test the defenses on Celestia’s castle.*

SHINING ARMOR and TWILIGHT SPARKLE have a long-standing sibling rivalry game of one-upping each other. Though it comes from a place of love, there’s a definite element of competition (which we see in a few quick flashback shots). So when Shining Armor tells Twilight he has a challenge that will let them finally settle who the “supreme sibling” is once and for all, she’s DEFINITELY in. And it’s for a good cause – with the reappearance of Sombra and the Tree of Harmony’s destruction, CELESTIA has asked Shining Armor to return to Canterlot and update the castle’s defenses. Providing more than just his old shield spell, Shining Armor has devised a multi-tiered system to ensure no creature can get in or out the castle without him or the Princesses knowing about it. The only thing left to do is test it – which is where Twilight (and her friends) come in (a la “Sneakers”). If SPIKE and the MANE SIX can break in undetected, make their way to the throne room, and swipe the cushion from Celestia’s throne, Twilight “wins.” But if they can’t, Shining Armor gets bragging rights for life—and of course the castle will be more secure too!

Twilight gets to work on a detailed, multi-faceted plan of “attack.” But when she starts to present it to her friends, RARITY interrupts. Twilight can’t be the mastermind behind the Great Throne Cushion Heist, because that’s precisely what Celestia and Luna will be expecting! With a quick transition into SHADOW SPADE, Rarity informs the others that in order to succeed, they must utilize the element of surprise. Therefore, each of them should propose their own role in the heist. She goes on to describe hers in a humorously over-complicated scheme and in FANTASY SEQUENCES we see each of the Mane Six in theoretical action: PINKIE PIE performing lookout duties from outer space, APPLEJACK creating a diversion as a country western singer, etc. One thing the ponies agree on – the plan is certainly unexpected. After a brief discussion, Twilight is impressed—this plan just might work—and they set off to begin, excited to help Twilight prove who the “Sibling Supreme” really is.

But plans always work better on paper (and in fantasy sequences) than in real life, and as soon as the ponies start their heist, one misfire leads to the next in an escalating series of mistakes that threaten to derail the entire enterprise! In hilarious fashion, the ponies are forced to adapt on the fly and perform well outside of their comfort zones: RAINBOW DASH must femme fatale her way around ZEPHYR BREEZE (who just started as a palace guard and it looks like he won’t be keeping this job either); Rarity must impersonate/talk like her parents (revealing her regular speaking voice is totally put on); etc. Meanwhile, Spike and FLUTTERSHY become trapped and must overcome their fear of small spaces and work together to get out. And without a plan to guide her, Twilight must do the thing she fears most—improvise!

Just when it looks like the gang has managed, against all odds, to get their plan back on track, they're discovered by Shining Armor and the Princesses. It looks like the jig is up as Shining Armor explains he's been leading them into a trap the whole time. But just as Celestia is about to (good-naturedly) award the title of Sibling Supreme to Shinning Armor, Twilight reveals a surprise twist! The chaotic plan where everything goes horribly wrong was, in fact, part of her master plan all along! As Twilight recaps (in classic Heist Movie fashion) we learn that the things that went wrong were all PART of the REAL plan and with a flourish Twilight asks them to turn around, revealing the cushion on Celestia's throne is GONE! Twilight is proud to have finally one-upped Shining Armor, but he's surprisingly gracious about losing. After all, he wants the defenses on the castle to be as good as they can be – and besides, Twilight only beat him with her friends' help, so it doesn't really count.