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MEET THE PONIES

Twilight Sparkle

TWILIGHT SPARKLE TRIES TO FIND THE ANSWER TO EVERY QUESTION! WHETHER STUDYING A BOOK OR SPENDING TIME WITH PONY FRIENDS, SHE ALWAYS LEARNS SOMETHING NEW!



Spike

SPIKE IS TWILIGHT SPARKLE'S BEST FRIEND AND NUMBER ONE ASSISTANT. HIS FIRE BREATH CAN DELIVER SCROLLS DIRECTLY TO PRINCESS CELESTIA!

Applejack

APPLEJACK IS HONEST, FRIENDLY, AND SWEET TO THE CORE! SHE LOVES TO BE OUTSIDE, AND HER PONY FRIENDS KNOW THEY CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON HER.



Fluttershy

FLUTTERSHY IS A KIND AND GENTLE PONY WITH A BIG HEART. SHE LIKES TO TAKE CARE OF OTHERS, ESPECIALLY HER LITTLE ANIMAL FRIENDS.



Rarity

RARITY KNOWS HOW TO ADD SPARKLE TO ANY OUTFIT! SHE LOVES TO GIVE HER PONY FRIENDS ADVICE ON THE LATEST PONY FASHIONS AND HAIRSTYLES.



Pinkie Pie

PINKIE PIE KEEPS HER PONY FRIENDS LAUGHING AND SMILING ALL DAY! CHEERFUL AND PLAYFUL, SHE ALWAYS LOOKS ON THE BRIGHT SIDE.



Rainbow Dash

RAINBOW DASH LOVES TO FLY AS FAST AS SHE CAN! SHE IS ALWAYS READY TO PLAY A GAME, GO ON AN ADVENTURE, OR HELP OUT ONE OF HER PONY FRIENDS.



Princess Celestia

PRINCESS CELESTIA IS A MAGICAL AND BEAUTIFUL PONY WHO RULES THE LAND OF EQUESTRIA. ALL OF THE PONIES IN PONYVILLE LOOK UP TO HER!



Princess Luna

ONCE CALLED NIGHTMARE MOON, A VILLAIN IMPRISONED ON THE LUNAR SURFACE, LUNA NOW RULES EQUESTRIA ALONGSIDE HER SISTER, PRINCESS CELESTIA.





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SORRY, SPIKE.

I GUESS I'M STILL TRYING TO FIND MY WAY AROUND.

SLAM



YOU DON'T HAPPEN TO KNOW WHERE THE LIBRARY IS, DO YOU?

NEXT DOOR ON THE LEFT.

WHUMP



OH.



THANKS!



..ACCEPTANCE,
MM-HMM,
ALTRUISM,
DEFINITELY...



STARLIGHT!
GOOD MORNING!
COME IN!

SORRY I'M
LATE. I GOT A
LITTLE TURNED
AROUND.



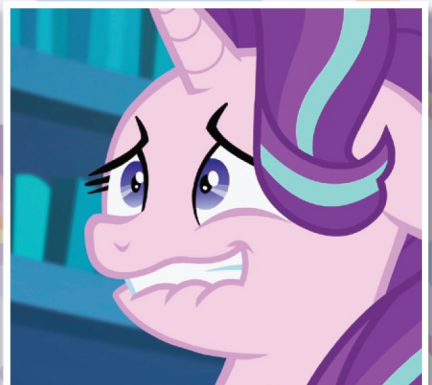
I STILL CAN'T
BELIEVE YOU'RE
LETTING ME STAY
HERE AS YOUR
PUPIL.



AFTER
EVERYTHING
I DID.



WELL, I'M NOT
ONE TO DWELL ON
THE PAST AND NEITHER
SHOULD YOU.





"I KNOW I'M JUST LEARNING ABOUT FRIENDSHIP..."



... BUT I DIDN'T THINK THERE WERE THIS MANY LESSONS FOR ANYTHING.

HOW DO WE CHOOSE?



MAYBE I SHOULD PARE THINGS DOWN A BIT BEFORE WE GO THROUGH THEM.



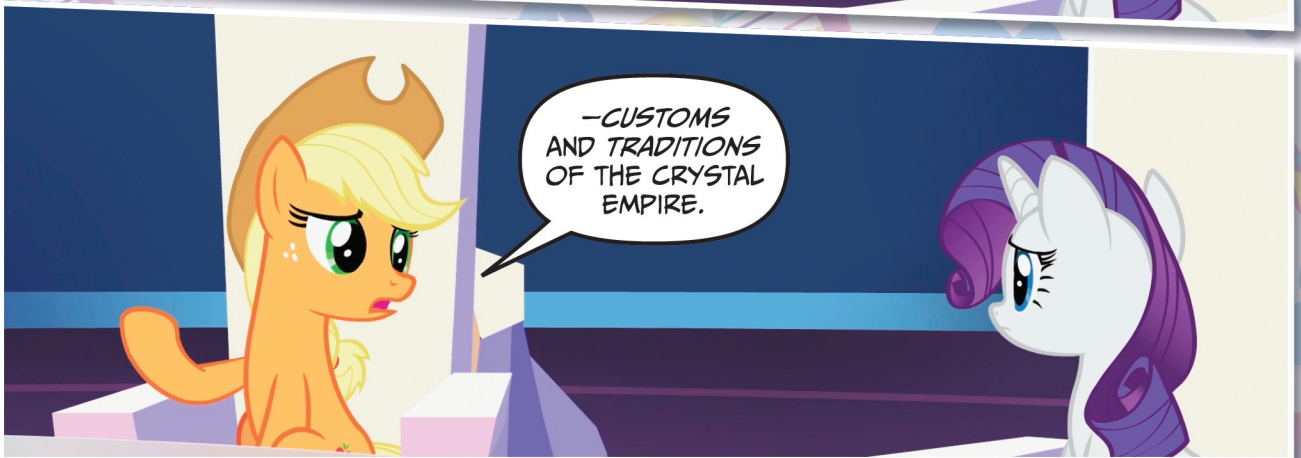
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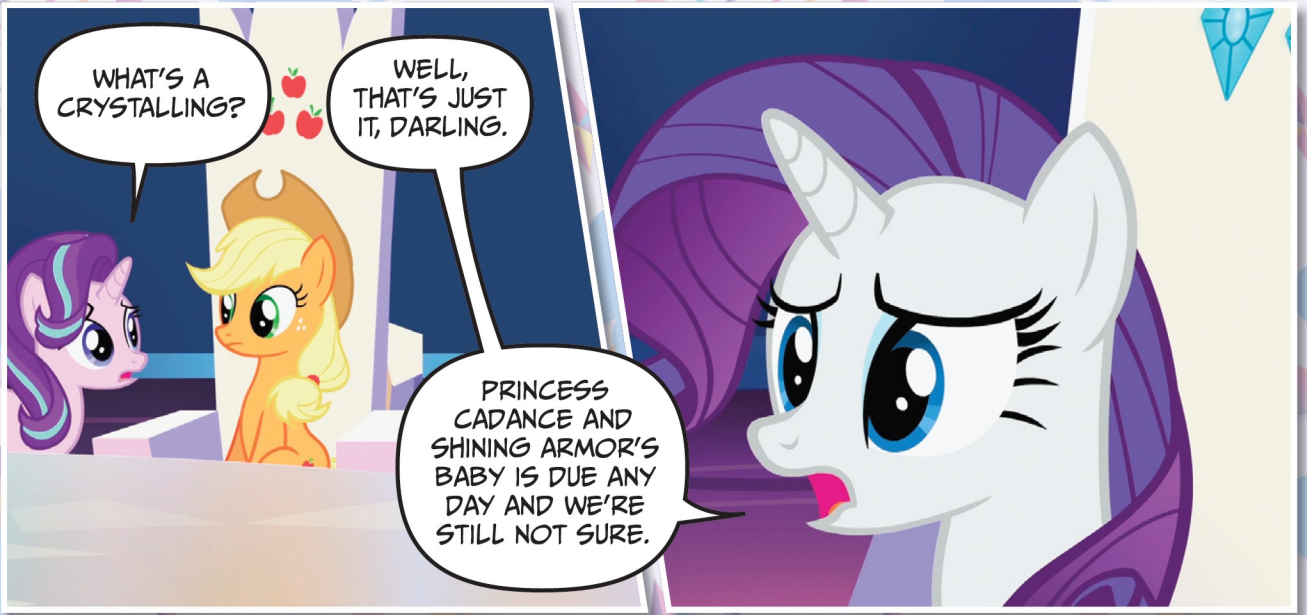


THEY'RE PLANNING OUR TRIP TO THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE...

... WHEN SHINING ARMOR AND PRINCESS CADANCE HAVE THEIR *BABY*.







WHAT'S A CRYSTALLING?

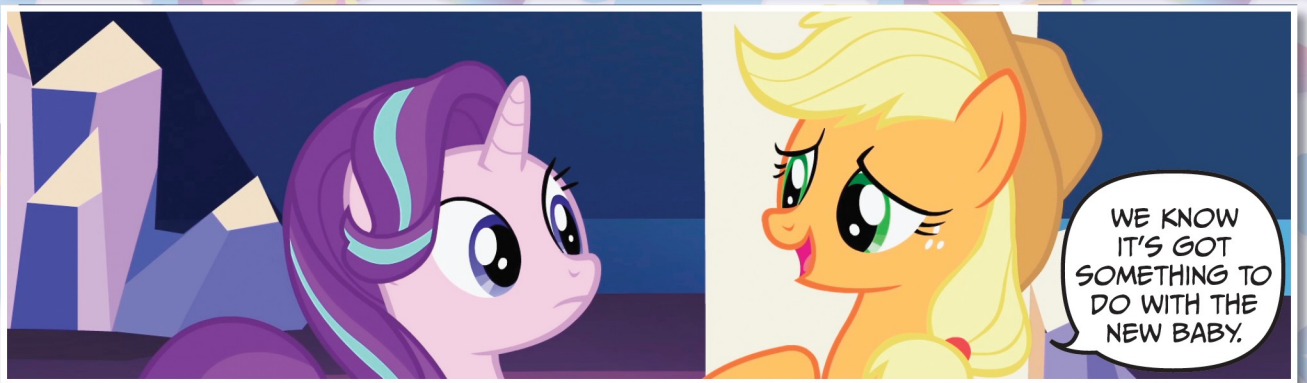
WELL, THAT'S JUST IT, DARLING.

PRINCESS CADANCE AND SHINING ARMOR'S BABY IS DUE ANY DAY AND WE'RE STILL NOT SURE.



THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE WAS GONE FOR A THOUSAND YEARS.

A LOT OF THEIR CUSTOMS ARE A BIT... MURKY.



WE KNOW IT'S GOT SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE NEW BABY.



AND A PARTY!

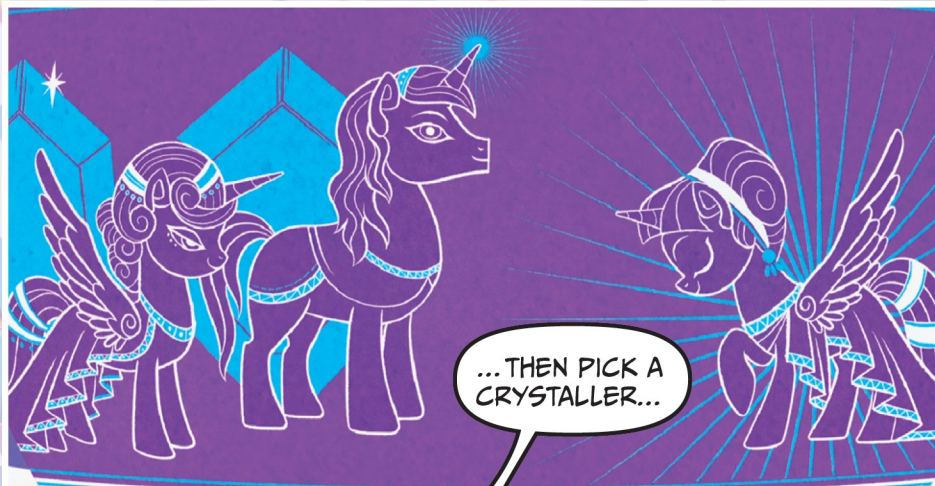
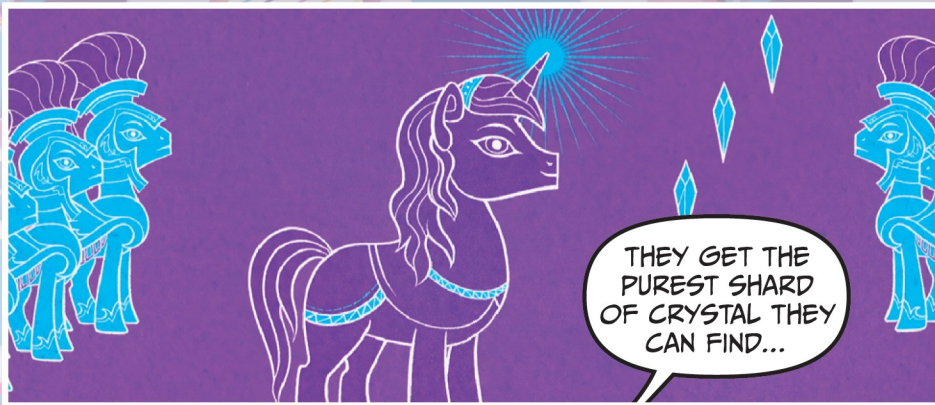
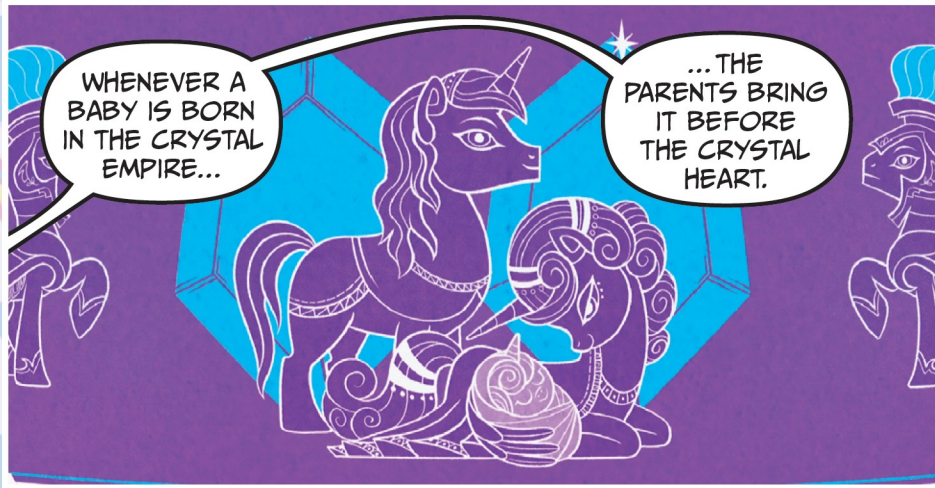
DOING



AND THE CRYST-

AND A PARTY!

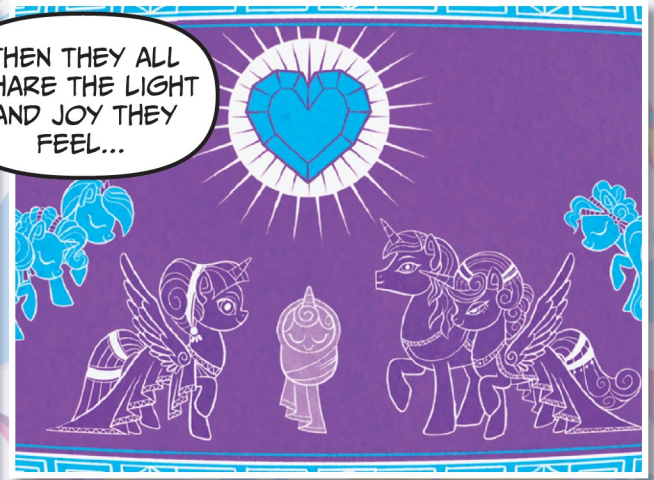




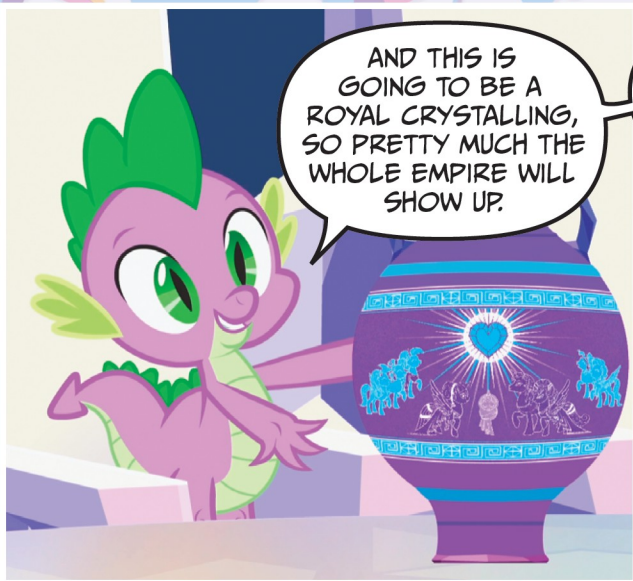
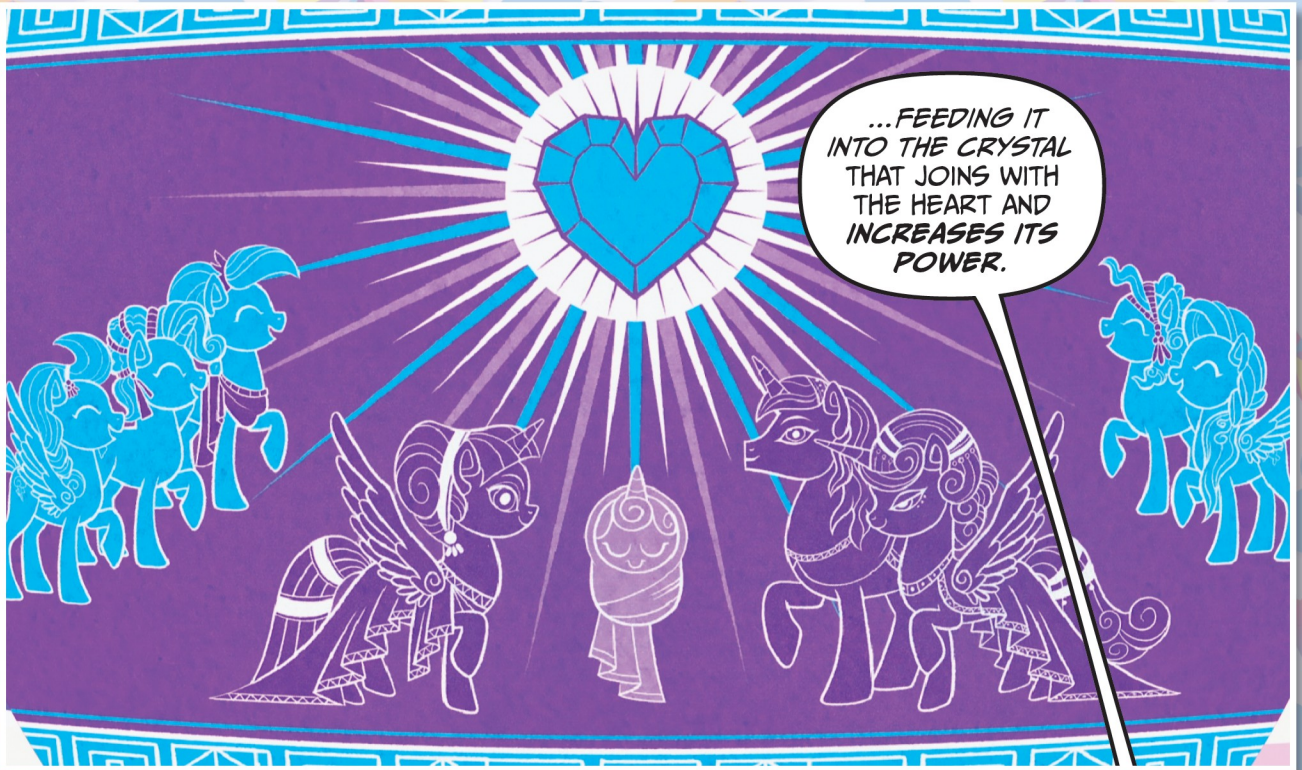


... TO PRESENT THE BABY TO EVERYPONY WHO COMES.

THEN THEY ALL SHARE THE LIGHT AND JOY THEY FEEL...



... FEEDING IT INTO THE CRYSTAL THAT JOINS WITH THE HEART AND INCREASES ITS POWER.

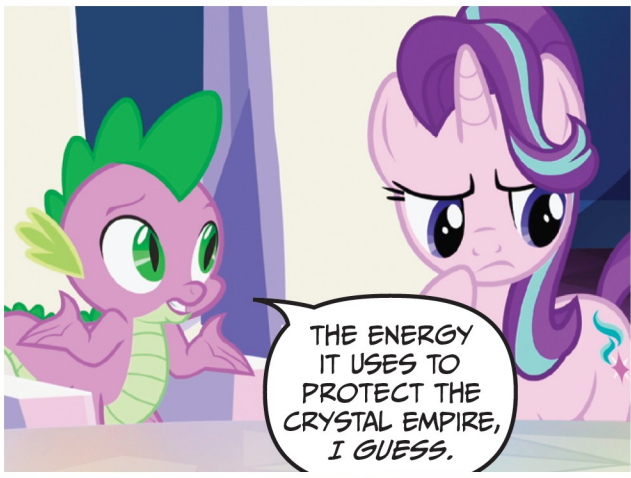


AND THIS IS GOING TO BE A ROYAL CRYSTALLING, SO PRETTY MUCH THE WHOLE EMPIRE WILL SHOW UP.



THAT HASN'T HAPPENED IN MILLENNIA.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN IT INCREASES THE CRYSTAL HEART'S POWER?



THE ENERGY IT USES TO PROTECT THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE, I GUESS.



PROTECT IT FROM WHAT?

I DIDN'T HELP TWILIGHT WITH THAT PART.



NEARBY, IN THE LIBRARY...



HEY, TWILIGHT, CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING ABOUT THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE?







WHAT?
OH, NO.

THOSE
ALL SOUND
GREAT.



I KNOW!
I GUESS YOU
WERE RIGHT.
IT IS GOING
TO BE HARD
TO CHOOSE
ONE.



YEAH.





UGH! I AM NEVER GOING TO FIND MY WAY AROUND THIS PLACE!



GEE, STARLIGHT, WHAT'S WRONG?



I DON'T KNOW, SPIKE.

TWILIGHT'S FIGURING OUT WHAT MY FIRST FRIENDSHIP LESSON IS...



...AND I GUESS I'M NOT EXACTLY THRILLED WITH THE OPTIONS.



WELL, WITH ONE OF THEM.





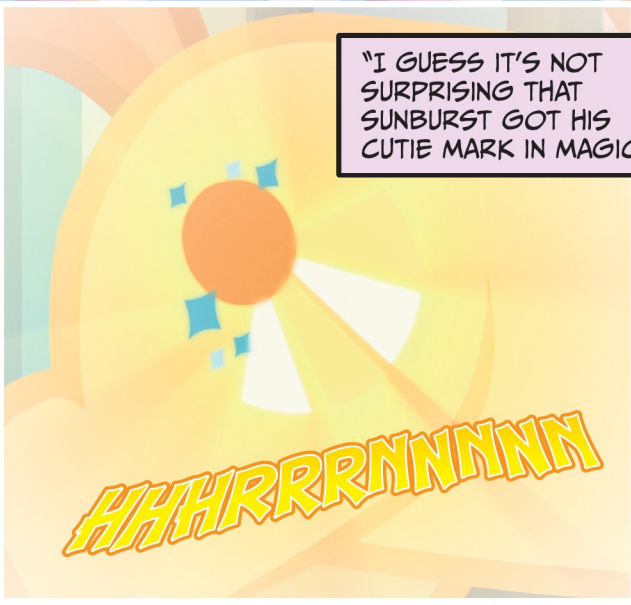
"AND HE WAS ALWAYS THERE..."



"...TO HELP ME OUT."



"I GUESS IT'S NOT SURPRISING THAT SUNBURST GOT HIS CUTIE MARK IN MAGIC..."



"...AND WENT OFF TO PRINCESS CELESTIA'S SCHOOL."

"BUT WHEN HE LEFT..."

YOU BLAMED CUTIE MARKS AND STRIPPED A WHOLE VILLAGE OF THEIRS...

... AND WHEN TWILIGHT AND THE OTHERS STOPPED YOU...

... YOU WENT BACK IN TIME AND ALMOST DESTROYED EQUESTRIA.

POOOOOOF

NOT REALLY STUFF I'M SUPER EAGER TO TELL SUNBURST ABOUT.

I MEAN, HE'S PROBABLY SOME BIG, IMPORTANT WIZARD NOW...

... AND I CAN'T EVEN FIND MY WAY AROUND TWILIGHT'S CASTLE.









CHOO CHOO

ABOARD THE TRAIN TO THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE...



... ONE PASSENGER ISN'T ENJOYING THE RIDE.



UM, APPLEJACK, WHAT IS THAT?

OH, JUST A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR THE YOUNGIN'.



MADE FROM GENUINE SWEET APPLE ACRES APPLE TREES.

WE MAKE 'EM FOR ALL THE APPLE YOUNGSTERS.



AND ANYPONY RELATED TO TWILIGHT IS PRACTICALLY FAMILY.



YEAH. IT'S OKAY. I MEAN—



—BUT IT'S NO CLOUDSDALE MOBILE!



OR A FETCHING BLANKET TO KEEP THEM WARM...



I'M SURE SHINING ARMOR AND PRINCESS CADANCE WILL LOVE ALL OUR GIFTS.



BUT I THINK THEY'RE MORE HAPPY WE'LL BE ATTENDING THE BABY'S CRYSTALLING.



OOH! I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE ALL THAT **LIGHT** AND **LOVE** MAKE THE CRYSTAL HEART EVEN MORE **SPARKLEY** AND **SHINY**!

ACTUALLY, PINKIE, THE CRYSTAL HEART IS AN ANCIENT AND POWERFUL RELIC.

WITHOUT ITS MAGIC THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE...

... WOULD BE LOST TO THE FROZEN NORTH.



I'D UNDERSTAND IF YOU WANTED TO, YOU KNOW...

WOW. THIS CRYSTALLING SOUNDS PRETTY IMPORTANT.

... WAIT TO DO A DIFFERENT FRIENDSHIP LESSON WHEN WE GET BACK.

ARE YOU KIDDING?



NOT ONLY DO I GET TO SEE THE BABY...

... AND TAKE PART IN A CEREMONY THAT HELPS MAINTAIN THE MAGIC OF THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE...

... BUT I'M STARTING MY NEW PUPIL OFF WITH THE MOST AMAZING FRIENDSHIP LESSON EVER.



CRYSTAL EMPIRE STATION.

GHOOO-GHOOOOOOO



STEP ONE,
HEAD TO
SUNBURST'S
HOUSE...

...AND GET
YOU TWO
STARTED ON
THE RIGHT
HOOF.



STEP TWO,
GET TO THE
CASTLE WITH
ENOUGH TIME
TO VISIT THE
BABY...



DONK

SHINING
ARMOR!









SORRY. I HAVEN'T REALLY SLEPT SINCE CADANCE HAD THE BABY.

COME TO THINK OF IT, SHE HASN'T EITHER.

IT SURE WOULD BE GREAT TO GET A BREAK...

OH. OF COURSE.

YOU TWO PROBABLY NEED ALL KINDS OF HELP!



I'M SORRY, STARLIGHT, BUT I GUESS COMBINING YOUR FIRST LESSON WITH THIS VISIT *WASN'T* SUCH A GOOD IDEA.



YOU'RE AN AUNT NOW.

THAT'S *WAY* MORE IMPORTANT THAN SOME FRIENDSHIP LESSON.

I JUST WISH THERE WAS A WAY TO DO BOTH.



MAYBE THERE IS.



YOU'VE ALREADY DONE THE WORK FOR STARLIGHT'S LESSON WITH THIS LIST.

ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS FOLLOW IT.

SPIKE, YOU'RE A GENIUS!

SMACK



YEAH. GENIUS.



THEN IT'S SETTLED.

SHINING ARMOR AND I WILL HEAD STRAIGHT TO THE CASTLE—



—AND YOU TWO CAN HEAD STRAIGHT TO SUNBURST'S.

AYE, AYE, PRINCESS.





BECAUSE SPIKE,
THE BRAVE AND
GLORIOUS...

...SAVED
ALL OF US
FROM KING
SOMBRA.



AND THEN
AGAIN DURING
THE EQUESTRIA
GAMES.



UM, WHEN
WERE YOU
GOING TO TELL
ME ABOUT
THIS?



OH, IT'S NO
BIG DEAL.



IT MOST
CERTAINLY
IS!!



ZZZZRRRRNNNN

THAT'S
IT. WE'RE
NOT GOING
ANYWHERE...

...UNTIL
I GET THE
WHOLE
STORY.

MEANWHILE AT THE
CRYSTAL PALACE...

BEFORE
WE GO IN...

I SHOULD
PROBABLY
TELL YOU...

...SEEING THE
BABY MIGHT
BE A BIT OF A
SHOCK.

COME ON, BIG
BROTHER, I'VE
MET BABIES
BEFORE...

...I EXPECT
MEETING
THIS ONE
WON'T BE ANY
DIFFERENT.







BUT I THOUGHT ALICORN WINGS HAD TO BE EARNED BY ACCOMPLISHING SOME GREAT—

—PRINCESS-WORTHY DEED?

YEAH, HOW CAN YOU JUST BE BORN WITH THEM?



THE BIRTH OF AN ALICORN IS SOMETHING EQUESTRIA HAS NEVER SEEN.



IT IS BEYOND EVEN OUR UNDERSTANDING.

THAT'S NOT VERY REASSURING.









THE CROWDS HAVE ALREADY STARTED TO GATHER.



DO YOU THINK WE SHOULD CALL IT OFF?



UM... WE'VE ALL FACED A LOT WORSE THAN *BABY MAGIC*.



I CAN'T IMAGINE CANCELLING SUCH A BEAUTIFUL AND IMPORTANT CEREMONY...

...OVER SOMETHING SO POTENTIALLY ADORABLE.



IN LIGHT OF THE LITTLE ONE'S ABILITIES...

...HER CRYSTALLING MIGHT BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER.





PINKIE CAN STAY HERE WITH ME AND KEEP AN EYE ON THE BABY.



AND WE'LL ALL HELP YOU WITH EVERYTHING ELSE.



THAT IS...

...IF YOU CAN **STAY AWAKE** LONG ENOUGH TO TELL US HOW.



OUTSIDE...

...AND THAT'S HOW WE FOUND THE CRYSTAL HEART...

...DEFEATED KING SOMBRA...

...AND SAVED THE EMPIRE.

HOORAY
YAY! YEAH!

TELL THE ONE ABOUT THE EQUESTRIA GAMES!



WELL, AS MUCH AS I LOVE RELIVING MY HEROIC DEEDS...

CHOMP
CHOMP



...STARLIGHT AND I HAVE AN IMPORTANT LESSON TO FINISH...

...BY ORDER OF THE PRINCESS OF FRIENDSHIP.



AWWWW!



A SHORT WHILE LATER...



WAIT!

WHAT?



KNOCKING ON THE DOOR ISN'T THE NEXT THING ON THE LIST.



SERIOUSLY?



I KNOW TWILIGHT CAN BE A LITTLE NITPICKY...

...BUT THIS IS YOUR **FIRST LESSON** AS HER PUPIL—

—AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE DO IT RIGHT.





FINE.
WHAT'S THE NEXT THING ON THE LIST?



"BEFORE THEY SEE EACH OTHER..."

"...MAKE SURE TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MEETING."

I'M PRETTY SURE WE CAN SKIP THAT.



I DON'T KNOW.

I MEAN, IF WE SKIP IT, THE WHOLE LESSON COULD GO SOUTH.

YOU MIGHT END UP TAKING A GIANT STEP BACKWARDS INSTEAD OF FORWARDS.



MAYBE YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO LEARN ANYTHING ABOUT FRIENDSHIP AT ALL.



"HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MEETING." CHECK.

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU WANTED TO SKIP THAT.



**KNOCK
KNOCK**



SUNBURST?

CREEK



YES?

WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?







SPIKE GUIDES STARLIGHT TO THE DOOR...

UGH.

**KNOCK
KNOCK
KNOCK**



ELSEWHERE...

DEAREST CITIZENS...

...I AM SURE THAT YOU ARE ALL JUST AS THRILLED...

...AND READY FOR THIS CRYSTALLING AS MYSELF—

—AND SHINING ARMOR...

BUT...

...I'M **NOT** READY!

TAKE IT EASY.



JUST PICK WHOEVER LOOKS THE MOST LIKE HONOR GUARD MATERIAL.



RIGHT.



I'M SORRY, FATHERHOOD IS WAY MORE STRESSFUL...

...THAN I EVER THOUGHT.
I CAN ONLY IMAGINE.



NOW, I KNOW CHOOSING THE **CRYSTAL OF PURITY** IS A VERY IMPORTANT DECISION...



...SO I HAVE GONE THROUGH THE TROUBLE OF ARRANGING THEM IN ORDER—
—FROM INCREDIBLY PURE TO OUTRAGEOUSLY PURE.



UM, RARITY?
DON'T THEY ALL
SORT OF LOOK
THE SAME?

OH WELL, TO
THE UNTRAINED
EYE, PERHAPS.



WHAT DO
YOU THINK
SHINING
ARMOR?



I... I...



I DON'T
KNOW!



I HOPE
TWILIGHT AND
PINKIE ARE HAVING
BETTER LUCK WITH
THE BABY.





ACROSS TOWN
AT SUNBURST'S...

...IT'S A SLOW START.



SO, THE
PRINCESS OF
FRIENDSHIP...

... WANTS
YOU AND I TO
BE FRIENDS
AGAIN?



I KNOW.
WEIRD,
RIGHT?

I DON'T
UNDERSTAND.

DID SOMETHING
HAPPEN TO YOU
AFTER I LEFT FOR
MAGIC SCHOOL?



WHAT?!
NO!

I DON'T SEE
WHAT THAT HAS
TO DO WITH
ANYTHING.



WHY WOULD
YOU EVEN ASK
THAT?

SPLISH
SPLASH



I MEAN, DID SOMETHING HAPPEN TO YOU AFTER YOU LEFT FOR MAGIC SCHOOL?



WHAT? UM... NO.



LIKE YOU SAID, I'M AN IMPORTANT WIZARD.



HUH...?



I'M SURE THERE'S SOMETHING ON TWILIGHT'S LIST THAT CAN HELP HERE.

BACK AT THE CASTLE...

...RARITY OVERSEES SHINING ARMOR'S PREPARATION.

RSSSHHHH

YOU'RE BACK!

THUM

OKAY. I CHOSE THE HONOR GUARD...

...PICKED THE PURITY CRYSTAL...

...AND I KNOW EXACTLY WHO I WANT TO BE OUR CRYSTALLER.

SO, ALL WE NEED IS...

THE BABY?







KKKRRRRKKKK



KRSHHHH
KRSHHHH



WHHAAAAA--?

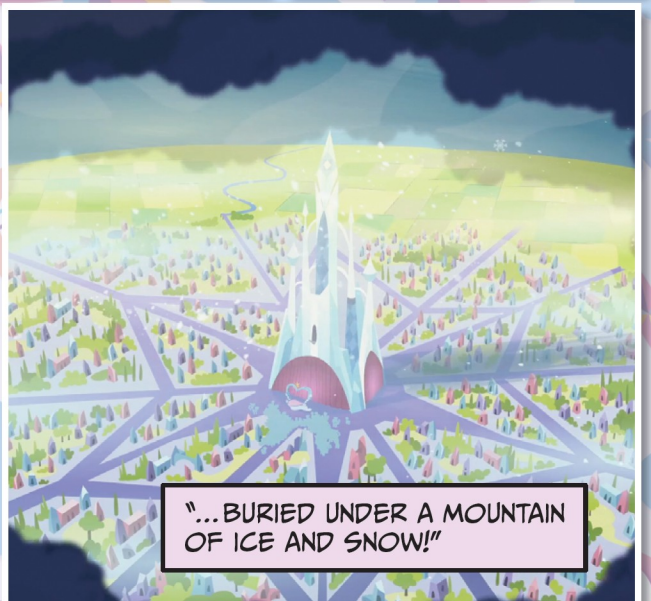


I'M GUESSING THAT'S GONNA MAKE IT HARD TO DO THE CRYSTALLING.



IT'S WORSE THAN THAT.

WITHOUT THE HEART, THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE IS ABOUT TO BE...



"...BURIED UNDER A MOUNTAIN OF ICE AND SNOW!"



SO, NOT ONLY CAN WE NOT TAKE PART IN A FABULOUS, ANCIENT CEREMONY...

...BUT WE'RE ALSO ABOUT TO BE FROZEN SOLID!?



WITHOUT THE CRYSTAL HEART'S MAGICAL PROTECTION...



...THE ENTIRE CITY IS ABOUT TO BECOME A WINTER WASTELAND.



BUT WHAT ABOUT WHEN KING SOMBRA RULED THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE...

...AND THE CRYSTAL HEART WAS MISSING?

THE CITY WASN'T COVERED IN SNOW THEN.



THE HEART WASN'T MISSING.

IT WAS STILL IN THE CASTLE.

KING SOMBRA HAD JUST HIDDEN IT.



I'M AFRAID TWILIGHT IS CORRECT.



AND THE STORM CLOUDS ARE ALREADY FORMING.

I CAN TOTALLY FLY UP THERE AND BUST THOSE PUPPIES. NO PROBLEM.



I WOULDN'T ADVISE IT, RAINBOW DASH.

THOSE STORM CLOUDS ARE NOT LIKE THE ONES YOU KNOW.

THIS FAR NORTH, THE WEATHER HAS A WILL OF ITS OWN...

...AND NOW IT WILL ONLY GROW STRONGER, ENVELOPING EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH.



INCLUDING THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE.



AND US ALONG WITH IT!

BACK AT SUNBURST'S HOUSE...

THERE'S GOTTA BE SOMETHING...

I KNOW PRINCESS TWILIGHT IS KEEN ON THE TWO OF US REKINDLING OUR FRIENDSHIP...

... BUT IT'S BEEN SO LONG.

I DON'T SEE HOW ANYTHING ON THAT LIST IS GOING TO HELP.

I KNOW, RIGHT?

IT'S NOT LIKE THERE'S SOME SPELL...

... THAT WOULD MAGICALLY COMPEL US TO PICK UP WHERE WE LEFT OFF.

OH—

—ACTUALLY, THERE'S SEVERAL.

MISTMANE'S MATERIAL AMITY...

... ROCKHOOF'S RAPPORT...

... FLASHPRANCE'S FELLOWSHIP...



BUT I GET THE FEELING THE PRINCESS ISN'T LOOKING FOR A SPELL.

DEFINITELY NOT.

GOT IT!



"...AND IF ALL ELSE FAILS, ASK THEM TO SHARE AN EMBARRASSING MOMENT FROM THEIR PAST—

"—MAYBE EVEN SOMETHING THEY REGRET."



UH, I DON'T SEE HOW THAT WOULD HELP.

UH, YEAH. WE SHOULD JUST GET OUT OF YOUR MANE.



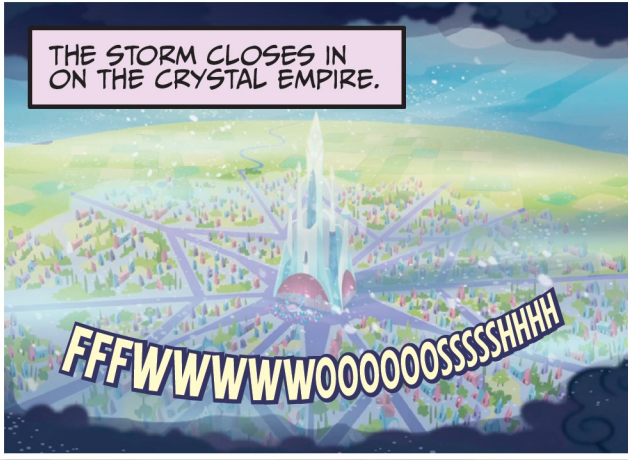
ZZZZZRRRRNNNN

IT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS THIS ISN'T GOING HOW TWILIGHT HOPED...

...AND I'M SURE YOU HAVE PLENTY OF IMPORTANT WORK TO DO.



THE STORM CLOSES IN ON THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE.



THERE **MUST** BE A SPELL THAT CAN RESTORE THE CRYSTAL HEART.



PERHAPS.



BUT IT ISN'T SOMETHING EITHER OF US KNOW.

THE LIBRARY HERE AT THE CASTLE...

...IS NEARLY AS EXTENSIVE AS THE ONE IN CANTERLOT.

THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE WE CAN FIND SOMETHING THERE.



...BUT EVEN OUR MAGIC WILL EVENTUALLY SUCCUMB TO THE POWER OF THE FROZEN NORTH.



CAN YOU HOLD OFF THE STORM?

YES, FOR A TIME...









YOU CAN COUNT ON US, TWILEY!



GIGGLE-GOO!



VAPP



HUH?!



VAPP



AAAAAAAAAAAAA!



FWHIPPP



I'VE GOT HER!

VAPP



I DON'T GOT HER...



WHERE'D SHE GO?



GIGGLE
GIGGLE

TE-
HEEHEE



SHE COULD BE
ANYWHERE!



GAH-
HA!



THIS
WAY!



CLOP
CLOP CLOP









OUTSIDE THE CRYSTAL CASTLE...

WE'RE JUST SAYING...

...IT MIGHT NOT BE THE BEST IDEA TO STAY OUTSIDE.



I CAMPED OUT ALL NIGHT FOR THIS SPOT.

I'M NOT ABOUT TO JUST GIVE IT UP.



STILL, WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT...

...THE VIEW IS JUST AS GOOD A LITTLE FURTHER BACK-



-LIKE INSIDE YOUR HOUSE.

WHAT?

HUH?
INSIDE?



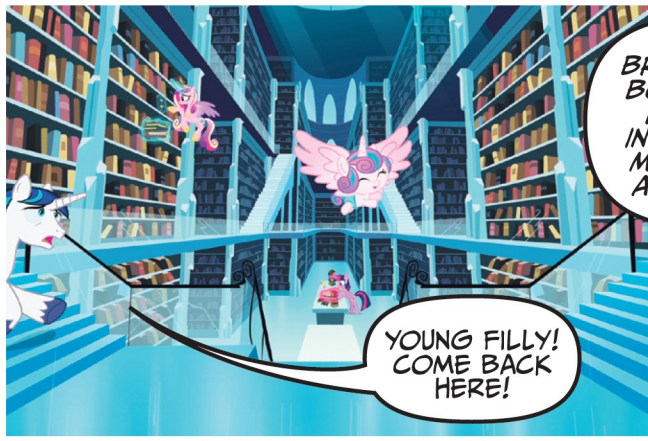
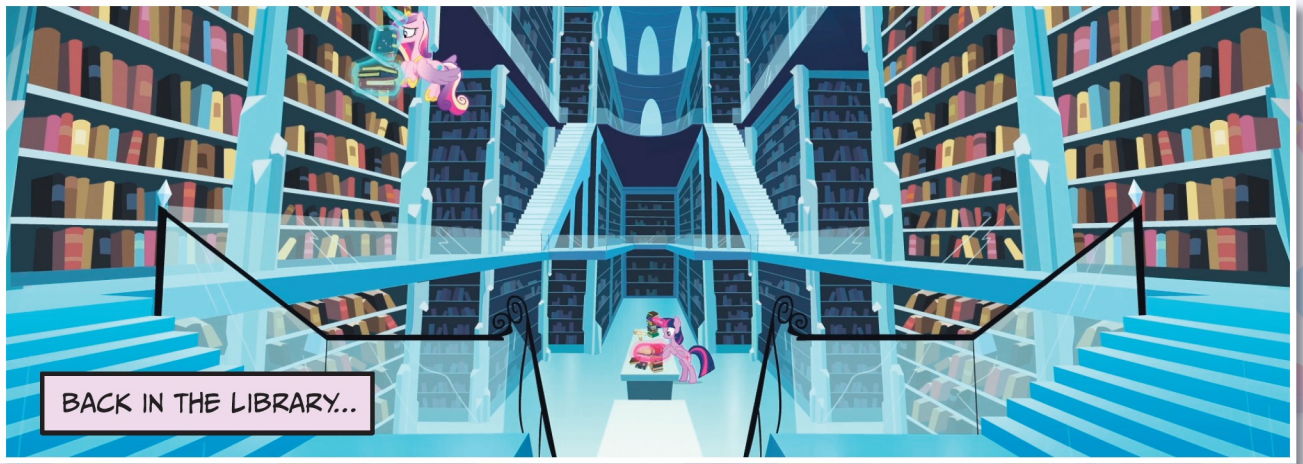
THE CRYSTALLING CEREMONY IS ONE OF OUR MOST SACRED TRADITIONS...

...AND WHEN THAT FOAL IS HELD BEFORE THE CRYSTAL HEART-

-I PLAN TO BE AS CLOSE TO THE ACTION AS POSSIBLE.



























AS SHINING ARMOR RACES TO START THE EVACUATION...



... TWILIGHT GETS BACK TO THE SPELL.



I ONLY HOPE THIS SPELL IS THE ONE WE NEED.

IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO?



I DON'T THINK SO.

I'M JUST SORRY ABOUT YOUR LESSON.

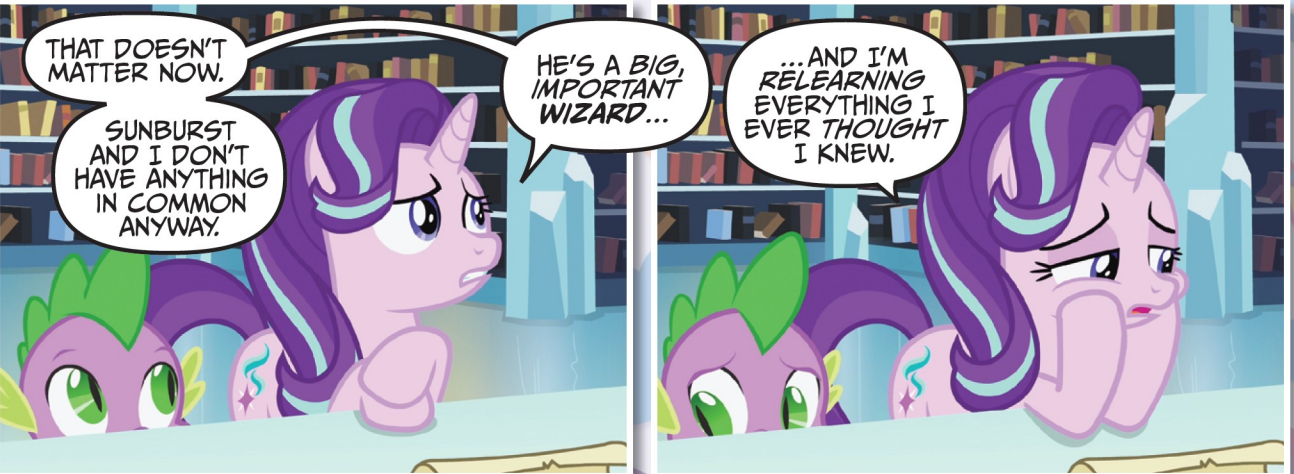


THAT DOESN'T MATTER NOW.

SUNBURST AND I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING IN COMMON ANYWAY.

HE'S A BIG, IMPORTANT WIZARD...

... AND I'M RELEARNING EVERYTHING I EVER THOUGHT I KNEW.











OF COURSE!

YOU'RE AN IMPORTANT WIZARD IN THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE.

IT JUST MAKES SENSE!



RIGHT, RIGHT...

SUNBURST STEPS BACK FROM STARLIGHT...



...RIGHT, RIGHT, RIGHT.

YOU KNOW, I'D LIKE TO HELP. I REALLY WOULD.

I JUST HAVE SO MUCH IMPORTANT WIZARD WORK TO DO AROUND HERE.

HHRRRRNNNN



HUH?!

HUH?!



AT THE CASTLE A CROWD IS STILL GATHERED.

YOU CAN'T STAY HERE!



DID I MENTION THIS WAS A ROYAL CRYSTALLING?



WHEN THE CRYSTALLER HOLDS THE YOUNG ONE ALOFT...

THE CRYSTAL HEART WILL BEAT STRONGER THAN IT EVER HAS BEFORE.

IT REALLY IS A MOVING CEREMONY.



I REALLY DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN.



COME ON! IT'S FREEZING OUT HERE!



UH, THIS IS THE CRYSTAL EMPIRE.

WE'VE SEEN SNOW BEFORE.

NOT LIKE THIS!



WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO ARGUE.

PRINCESS CADANCE HAS DECIDED TO EVACUATE THE CITY.



GAHHHH?



BUT THE CRYSTALLING...



I DON'T KNOW IF WE'LL EVER HAVE ANOTHER CRYSTALLING AGAIN.









MOMENTS LATER...

SUNBURST,
ARE YOU
OKAY?



I KNOW
IT'S HARD
FOR YOU TO
UNDERSTAND...



... BUT NOT
ALL OF US END
UP ACHIEVING
GREATNESS!

WHAT?

WHY
WOULDN'T I
UNDERSTAND
THAT?



REALLY?




YOU'RE THE
PROTEGE
OF THE
PRINCESS OF
FRIENDSHIP.
I DON'T THINK
SHE PICKS JUST
ANYPONY FOR
THAT.





BUT SOMETHING JUST DOESN'T
SIT RIGHT WITH STARLIGHT...

HFFF.



WELL, YOU
DON'T KNOW
WHAT IT WAS
LIKE TO BE LEFT
BEHIND!




AND THEN
GETTING SO
BITTER THAT YOU
STEAL THE CUTIE
MARKS FROM
AN ENTIRE
VILLAGE...



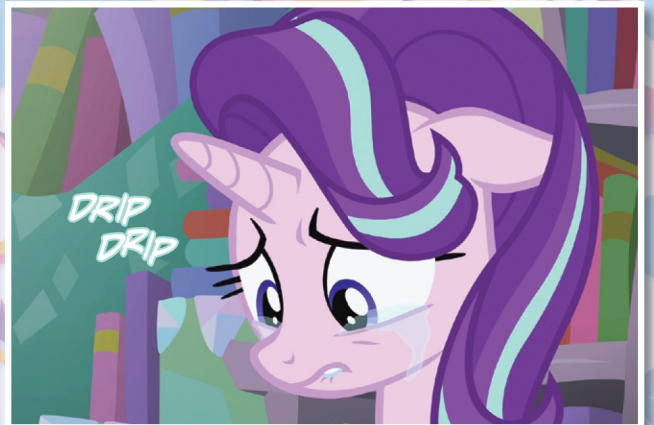
... AND
THEN GET
DEFEATED
BY TWILIGHT
AND HER
FRIENDS...

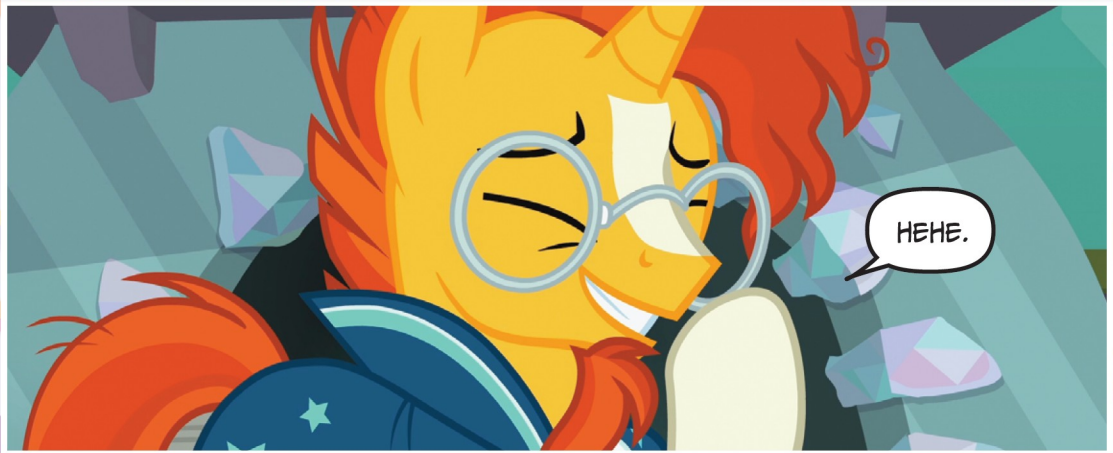


... SO
YOU TRAVEL
THROUGH TIME
TO GET BACK
AT THEM...



... BUT THEY
BEAT YOU AGAIN
AND TEACH
YOU ABOUT
FRIENDSHIP...













BELOW...



THIS WAY!



JUST A LITTLE BIT FARTHER, Y'ALL!



THE STATION'S JUST AHEAD!



BUT WHO IN TARNATION IS THAT?!





BACK AT THE CASTLE...



VVRRRRNNN



UH, I THINK THAT'S EVERYTHING.

IT LOOKS RIGHT TO ME...

... BUT THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT.



VORT











COMBINING THAT SPELL...

... WITH THE LIGHT AND LOVE OF EVERYPONY GATHERED FOR THE CEREMONY...

... TOGETHER WITH...



... SOMNAMBULA'S WEATHER ABJURATION TO CLEAR AWAY THE SNOW...



... A LITTLE FLEDGLING'S FORBEARANCE, FOR THE PARENTS.



GOO!

TICKLE
TICKLE



THAT SHOULD CURB THE LITTLE ONE'S POWER FLUCTUATIONS.



YOU MUST BE SUNBURST.

STARLIGHT SAID YOU WERE A POWERFUL WIZARD.



OH, I'M NO WIZARD.

GASP!!



WUH-?



BUT HE STUDIED MAGIC HIS WHOLE LIFE!

YOU SHOULD SEE HIS HOUSE!

AND SINCE NO PONY HAS ANY BETTER IDEAS...

... WHAT DO WE HAVE TO LOSE?

AT THAT MOMENT, THE BABY MAKES ITS WISHES CLEAR...



I HAD PLANNED ON ASKING TWILIGHT TO BE OUR CRYSTALLER...



... BUT SINCE IT SEEMS LIKE SHE'LL BE BUSY...



I'D BE HONORED.



WELL, WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR?

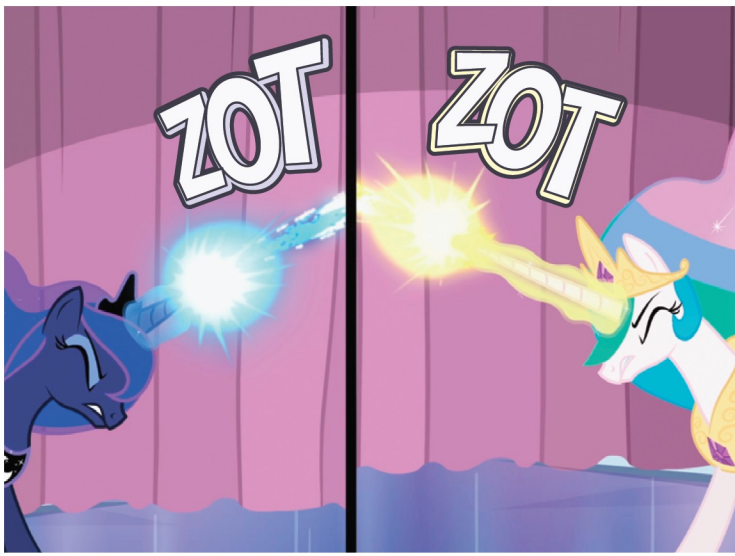


CADANCE AND SHINING ARMOR
LEAD THE GROUP OUTSIDE...



...WHILE THE REST STAY BEHIND
TO FIX THE CRYSTAL HEART.





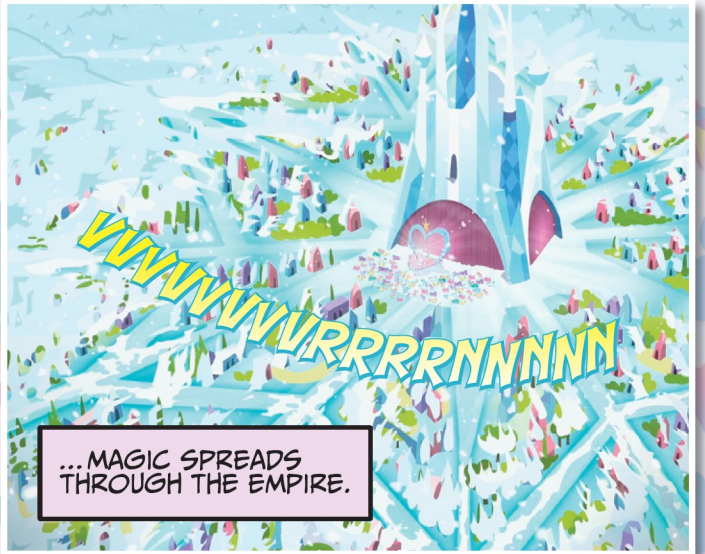




AS THE CRYSTAL PONIES BOW...



...MAGIC SPREADS THROUGH THE EMPIRE.



AND SUNBURST CAPTURES THAT MAGIC FOR THE CEREMONY!

GOT IT!



MAKE WAY!

COMING THROUGH!



ALMOST THERE!





THE CRYSTAL SHARD
DELIVERS ITS MAGIC TO
THE CRYSTAL HEART!



THE CRYSTAL HEART'S MAGIC...

ALL RIGHT!

IT WORKED!

FABULOUS!

TEE-HEE!

...ENERGIZES EVERYPONY.

AND BLASTS AWAY THE STORM.

VORRRRTT

IN TIME FOR A SPECIAL CELEBRATION.

HOORAY!

CONGRATULATIONS!

THEY DID IT!



BEST.
CRYSTALLING.
EVER!

FOR A PONY WHO ISN'T
GREAT AT
MAGIC...

...YOU DID
PRETTY
WELL.

INDEED.

I'M GLAD
TO SEE YOU'VE
FOUND A WAY
TO SHARE YOUR
UNIQUE GIFT,
SUNBURST.

YOU MAY
BE MORE
OF A WIZARD
THAN YOU
THINK.

IT LOOKS LIKE THESE OLD FRIENDS
HAVE TURNED INTO NEW FRIENDS.

CRYSTAL EMPIRE TRAIN STATION.

YOU WOULD NOT BELIEVE THE CRAZY WEATHER THAT DELAYED OUR TRAIN!

CAME OUT OF NOWHERE!



BUT IT WAS ALL WORTH IT TO SEE THIS PEACEFUL LITTLE ANGEL.

AWW SO SWEET, COME TO YOUR GRANDMARE.



YEAH. PEACEFUL NOW, ANYWAY.

I SUPPOSE THAT SPELL REALLY DID THE TRICK.



WE HAVE SUNBURST TO THANK FOR THAT.









WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

YOUR LESSON WENT PERFECTLY.

STARLIGHT AND SUNBURST GOT OVER THEIR PAST AND REKINDLED THEIR FRIENDSHIP.



NO THANKS TO ME.

I KNOW A LOT HAPPENED...

...I JUST WISH I COULD HAVE GIVEN MY PUPIL THE ATTENTION SHE DESERVES.



WELL, I KNOW SHE NEEDED TO BE PUT ON THE RIGHT PATH...

... BUT GIVING HER THE SPACE TO MAKE HER OWN DECISIONS WORKED PRETTY WELL.



ISN'T THAT HOW CELESTIA TAUGHT YOU?



YOU KNOW, I NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT IT, BUT I GUESS IT IS.



"MAYBE YOU'RE A BETTER TEACHER THAN YOU THOUGHT."

NOT THE END!





my LITTLE PONY



The Crystalline

my LITTLE PONY

The Crystalling

Adapting the most beloved *My Little Pony* animated cartoon episodes to graphic novels, this volume includes the two-part episode, "The Crystalling." Read along as former villain Starlight Glimmer becomes Twilight's pupil and Twilight's niece, Flurry Heart, is born!

