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TEASER**SC. 1 - EXT. FOREST - DAY**

Fluttershy and Angel are in the forest, gathering roots and flower petals. Angel holds up a spiky plant.

1 FLUTTERSHY
Angel, I know you wanted a
"friendship salad," but I'm not
sure what that is. And I don't
think it has nettles.

Suddenly, a loud **NASALLY WHEEZING-BLEATING-WAILING-SHRILL TONE** rings out across the forest.

2 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
(worried) Oh, no! Some poor
creature's in trouble. We have to
help it!

Fluttershy drops her basket and snaps into action. She begins running towards the source of the sound. Angel struggles to keep up with her.

3 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
Listen to that suffering! It must
be in horrible agony!

The sound stops. Fluttershy comes to a halt and listens again, trying to figure out which way to go. She hears more loud **WHEEZING** and **BLEATING SOUNDS**.

4 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
It sounds like a herd of injured
Chimerae.

Fluttershy takes off running again.

5 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
Or a Griffin coughing up a
particularly nasty hair and feather
ball!

Fluttershy heads towards a nearby clearing. The sound gets **LOUDER** and **LOUDER**.

6 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
I know! It's Cerberus with snuffle-
itis in two of his heads and kennel
cough in his third, or maybe it's-

SC. 2 - EXT. FOREST - CLEARING - SECONDS LATER

Fluttershy enters the clearing and comes skidding to a stop. She's shocked by the source of the awful sound.

7 FLUTTERSHY
-Pinkie Pie?

We reveal Pinkie Pie is playing a YAKYAKISTANIAN YOVIDOPHONE - a large bagpipe-like instrument.

8 PINKIE PIE
That's me! (to her Yovidophone) And a one, and a two, and a I know what to do--

She happily goes back to playing her Yovidophone.

9 FLUTTERSHY
At least no animal is suffering, right Angel?

She turns to see Angel wincing and holding his ears down.

10 FLUTTERSHY (CONT'D)
Well, until now.

END TEASER**MAIN TITLES****ACT ONE****SC. 3 - EXT. PONYVILLE PARK - DAY**

Pinkie Pie is in a gazebo, happily wailing away while Twilight, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash, Applejack and Rarity watch from nearby. The sound is awful. The gang winces with every sharp and flat note. Applejack leans over to Twilight.

11 APPLEJACK
(whispering) What's that thing called again?

12 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(whispering) A Yovidophone. It's from Yakyakistan, where it's actually quite popular.

Rainbow Dash leans over to Twilight's other shoulder.

13 RAINBOW DASH
Is it supposed to sound like that?

Pinkie goes for the big finish and tries in vain to hit a high, sharp note.

14 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Not exactly. It's known to produce a fairly complicated melodically rich and harmonious tone.

Birds flying by try to cover their ears with their wings and fall out of the sky.

15 RAINBOW DASH
(re: the Yovidophone) Are you sure we're talking about the same thing?

Pinkie finally finishes in a flourish.

16 PINKIE PIE
(out of breath) And that's with only a few days of practice! Can you believe it?

17 RARITY
Yes. Yes, I can. (then, covering)
It certainly was... something, dear.

18 APPLEJACK
I can honestly say I've never heard anything like it in my life.

19 PINKIE PIE
Well, if you enjoyed listening to my playing half as much as I enjoyed playing my playing -- then I should totally play more. That way we'll be even!

20 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh, I don't think that's necessary, Pinkie.

The other ponies quickly nod in agreement.

21 PINKIE PIE
You know, there's a chance I may have missed a note or two here or there, but I just love playing so much! (to Yovidophone) You complete me.

22 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Well, I for one am glad you're
having so much fun with your new
hobby.

23 PINKIE PIE
(distracted) Uh-huh, sure...

Pinkie Pie starts eyeing her Yovidophone, itching to play.

24 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
And it's great that you're learning
a new skill and-- (off Pinkie's
look) and you're just waiting for
me to finish talking so you can
start playing again, aren't you?

25 PINKIE PIE
(overly dramatic) No! But if you're
done...

Pinkie Pie grabs her Yovidophone.

26 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
And a one, and a two, and a I know
what to do...

She happily dances off while playing. Fluttershy turns to a
nearby basket on the ground.

27 FLUTTERSHY
It's okay, she's gone.

Angel crawls out of the basket. His ears are tied in a knot
under his chin in an attempt to block out the sound.

28 APPLEJACK
Anypony else think that sounded
like an apple core caught in a pulp
grinder?

29 RARITY
Not the words I would use, but I
completely agree with the
sentiment.

30 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Okay gang, so maybe she isn't good
yet, but she's our friend and we
should be supportive.

31 APPLEJACK
You're right. She just started
playing. She's bound to get better.

32 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, we just need to be supportive
of her practicing-- (rubbing her
ears) so the getting better part
happens as fast as possible.

Off the other's reticent agreement...

MONTAGE:

SC. 4 - INT. CAROUSEL BOUTIQUE - LATER

Pinkie Pie is happily playing in the corner as Rarity sits behind a sewing machine. Every time Rarity goes to run a straight seam, Pinkie hits a series of staccato notes, causing Rarity to continually jerk at each one. She sighs and then turns to Pinkie and smiles weakly.

SC. 5 - FLUTTERSHY'S ANIMAL SANCTUARY - LATER

Fluttershy tiptoes through a row of bassinets filled with various sleeping baby animals. She looks out the window and sees Pinkie Pie who's now wearing a yak-like jacket and holding her Yovidophone. Fluttershy waves at Pinkie not to play, but Pinkie doesn't get it. She waves back and immediately launches into a loud, jarring song. Every baby wakes up CRYING. Pinkie keeps waving and Fluttershy smiles weakly at her.

SC. 6 - WONDERBOLTS TRACK - LATER

The Wonderbolts are in mid-race around the track, with Rainbow Dash in the lead. Unfortunately, nopony in the stands pays any attention as they are all too busy holding their ears against Pinkie Pie, now wearing the yak-like jacket and a yak horned helmet, and BLASTING her Yovidophone (a la a College Marching Band). With a particularly powerful BLAST, Pinkie knocks Rainbow Dash off course and out of frame.

SC. 7 - EXT. SWEET APPLE ACRES - LATER

Applejack, Granny Smith, Big Mac and Apple Bloom all look out at the rolling hills of their orchard - juicy, ripe apples as far as the eye can see. They each get ready to buck a tree, but before they can, a blast of "music" suddenly makes the apples explode - covering them in apple mush. Applejack looks over to see Pinkie Pie, wearing the yak-like jacket, horned helmet, ringlets and yak-earrings, playing her Yovidophone as she dances along, turning row after row of apples into mush.

END MONTAGE**SC. 8 - EXT. DOWNTOWN PONYVILLE - LATER**

TIGHT ON: Twilight is enjoying the day with the sun shining on her face and the blue sky behind her.

33 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You're absolutely right, Spike.
Sometimes it is nice to get out of
the library and be in the sun.

34 SPIKE (O.S.)
(sarcastic)
Especially when you take the
library with you.

PULL BACK TO REVEAL: Twilight is sitting on a bench, surrounded by stacks of books.

Just then, Applejack, Rainbow Dash, Rarity and Fluttershy all come running up to her. They do not look happy.

35 APPLEJACK
(shaking apple mush off of herself)
We need to do something about
Pinkie Pie's playing.

36 RAINBOW DASH
Like now.

37 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Is it really that bad?

Rainbow Dash holds up a trophy.

38 RAINBOW DASH
Does this answer your question?

39 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Uh, a trophy?

40 RAINBOW DASH
For second place. SECOND. PLACE.
All because of Pinkie's playing.

41 RARITY
Well, I wanted to turn heads with my
new fall line, but not like this--

She floats up the crazily stitched gown.

42 APPLEJACK
And thanks to her fruit blastin'
melodies, I've got an orchard of
nothing but apple sauce - and it
ain't even saucin' season yet!

43 RARITY
And just look what her playing did
to poor Fluttershy--

They turn to see Fluttershy has big bags under her eyes, a
frazzled mane and is fighting to stay awake.

44 FLUTTERSHY
So very tired. It practically took
me all night to get the nursery
back to sleep.

45 APPLEJACK
I mean, I know you said we should
all be supportive, but Pinkie's
been playing for moons now and
she's not getting any better.

46 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, if anything, she's gotten
worse!

47 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(jumping into problem solving mode)
Okay, maybe we can just pretend
she's really good and then I'll
find a spell that will--

48 APPLEJACK
Oh, no, we're not going through
this again! Remember how well it
worked out when you weren't honest
with Celestia about her acting
ability?

49 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(resigned) You're right. We'll just
have to tell Pinkie Pie she's not
very good at the Yovidophone.

Suddenly, they hear a **YOVIDOPHONE PLAYING** nearby. They turn
to see Pinkie (still in her full yak regalia) playing her
Yovidophone outside of Sugar Cube Corner. Hearing her music,
every pony within earshot stops what they're doing and
scatters. Rarity turns to the others.

50 RARITY
Well, there's no time like the present.

ANGLE ON: Pinkie hits a high final note. She wipes her brow and then looks around. The street is completely empty.

51 PINKIE PIE
That's weird. I could have sworn this place was packed a second ago.

Twilight and the others approach.

52 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Hey guys. Can I favor you all with a tune? I take requests!

53 APPLEJACK
Actually, we do have a request and yeah, it involves your Yovidophone.

Pinkie glances coyly at her Yovidophone.

54 PINKIE PIE
You mean the thing I love more than anything else in Equestria? My sun, my moon, my stars -- my everything? (excited) Oooh. Tell me! Tell me! Tell me!

55 APPLEJACK
Alright, we need to be honest with you, Pinkie, and in all honesty...

Pinkie snuggles closer to her Yovidophone while making big puppy dog eyes at it.

56 APPLEJACK (CONT'D)
Ah... (losing her resolve due to Pinkie's cuteness overload) In all honesty, Rarity has something to say.

Applejack shoves Rarity forward as Pinkie Pie hugs her Yovidophone tightly.

57 RARITY
Oh, no. No, I believe that was Rainbow Dash...

Rarity side steps behind Dash.

58 RAINBOW DASH
Ugh. Fine. So Pinkie, remember when we were shocked to discover Princess Celestia wasn't so good at acting?

59 PINKIE PIE
Yeah, she was awful. But that's kind of a random thing to bring up. I thought you wanted to talk about my Yovidophone playing.

60 RAINBOW DASH
(stammering) Well, it's, it's just... you need to know... the thing is... Twilight?

61 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(sighs) Pinkie, we all support you, but we're afraid you're just not good at the Yovidophone and none of us want you to waste your time on something you can't do.

Pinkie Pie stares at them silently.

62 PINKIE PIE
(quietly) Oh. (then, seemingly happy and normal) Why didn't you just say so?

She takes her hooves off the Yovidophone and it deflates with an extended <HONK>. Everypony looks relieved.

63 RAINBOW DASH
Whew. We were all really nervous to tell you.

64 PINKIE PIE
Why? It's just a silly instrument. (then) Welp, lunch break's over, gotta get back to the bakery. Those apple turn-overs aren't gonna apple themselves.

As she bounces off into the bakery whistling:

65 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
(happily) No more Yovidophone playing for me!

66 FLUTTERSHY
Wow. She took that so much better than I thought!

SC. 9 - INT. SUGAR CUBE CORNER - PINKIE'S ROOM - LATER

Pinkie's in her bed, looking miserable. Her Yovidophone is in the trash can along with the remains of her yak wardrobe.

67 PINKIE PIE
(sadly) No more Yovidophone playing
for me. And a one, and a two, and a
I don't know what to do...

She bursts into tears.

END ACT ONE**ACT TWO****SC. 10 - EXT. DOWNTOWN PONYVILLE - DAY**

The sun is shining and the sky is the perfect shade of blue. Twilight and Spike walk through the town square and are greeted with grins from every pony they pass. Twilight looks around, takes a deep breath and smiles.

68 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Another beautiful day in Equestria.

69 SPIKE
(distracted) Uh, Twilight, when was
the last time you saw Pinkie Pie?

70 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Hmmm. Not since we told her to stop
playing the Yovidophone. I'm still
surprised with how well she took
it.

71 SPIKE
Uh, I don't think she took it as
well as you think she took it.

He points across the town square. Twilight turns to see Pinkie. She's not her normal self: her hair is flat and her normal pink color is less vibrant. There's a somber expression on her face as she walks along slowly, practically dragging her hooves, through the market.

72 VENDOR PONY
Top of the morning to you.

73 PINKIE PIE
(sad)
Is it morning? I hadn't noticed.

74 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(to Spike) Well, that's not good.

Just then, Applejack, Rarity, Fluttershy and Rainbow Dash come running up.

75 RAINBOW DASH
Oh, there you are! We've been looking all over for you!

76 RARITY
It turns out Pinkie may not have taken our honest critique of her Yovidophone playing in the spirit with which it was intended.

77 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I saw.

They turn and see Pinkie across the way. As she passes a flower vendor, all of the flowers in his cart droop. The confused vendor flips the "OPEN" sign on his cart to "CLOSED".

78 SPIKE
(to Twilight) There's gotta be something we can do.

79 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I'm sure there is, Spike. We just have to figure out what.

80 RAINBOW DASH
I don't get it? So she's not good at playing the Yovidophone. What's the big deal? There's soooo many other things she's really good at doing!

81 APPLEJACK
Yeah. Not being able to play the Yovidophone is nothing compared to all the things she can do well.

82 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(realization) And that's exactly what we're going to have to show her! (to the rest) I bet if we get her to do the stuff she likes and is good at doing, she'll cheer right back up and forget all about the Yovidophone.

83 APPLEJACK
That's a great idea!

84 RAINBOW DASH
That'll totally work!

They all look over to see Pinkie walking past another pony with a bunch of balloons. As Pinkie passes the balloons drop to the ground deflated.

85 RARITY
We should get stared. I don't think there's a moment to lose.

MONTAGE:

SC. 11 - EXT. TOWN SQUARE - LATER

As a sullen Pinkie watches a foal's birthday party, Applejack wheels over her party cannon. Applejack takes a step back and covers her ears. Pinkie sighs and gives the string a slight tug. It comes off in her hoof. A second later, three pieces of confetti weakly puff out. Pinkie turns a little less pink.

SC. 12 - EXT. ANIMAL SANCTUARY - LATER

Fluttershy, Pinkie, and a group of adorable animals throw a tea party for Gummy. Everyone looks excited except for Pinkie and Gummy who both look placed in their chairs. Fluttershy sticks a party horn in Pinkie's mouth then places a large frosted cupcake in front of Gummy. Gummy licks his eye and then slowly falls over. A listless Pinkie Pie turns a little less pink, then falls over as well.

SC. 13 - INT. SUGAR CUBE CORNER - LATER

A still less than pink Pinkie Pie is haphazardly mixing an oversized bowl of batter. It splashes all over the kitchen while she knocks into everything on her counter top. We **WIDEN** to reveal that Rainbow Dash is flying above her, working her like a marionette. Rainbow pulls two strings, making Pinkie smile widely. The strings snap and Pinkie's face goes back into a frown.

SC. 14 - CAROUSEL BOUTIQUE - LATER

Pinkie forlornly sits in a makeup chair, with curlers in her hair and hair dryers blasting all around her. Rarity sprays her with an oversized can of hair spray and lifts up a powder puff of pink powder.

She hits the powder puff into Pinkie, causing a huge pink cloud. When it clears, we see Pinkie Pie is back to her normal color, with her normal pink, curly mane. Rarity smiles at her work, until Pinkie Pie sneezes - instantly turning herself back to gray, with flat hair. Pinkie Pie and Rarity both SIGH.

END MONTAGE

SC. 15 - EXT. PONYVILLE TOWN SQUARE - LATER

Applejack, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash and Rarity look depressed. They all let out a long <SIGH> at the same time.

86 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (O.S.)
So, I'm guessing nopony had any success?

They turn to look at Twilight and Spike.

87 APPLEJACK
My party cannon idea was a real dud.

88 RAINBOW DASH
Oh, don't blame yourself. None of us did any better.

89 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Well, not to worry. I came up with the perfect solution. Instead of trying to remind her what she's good at, we'll remind her what she's the best at. And that's being our friend! (excited) We're going to throw her a Pinkie Pie appreciation party!

90 FLUTTERSHY
That's a wonderful idea! If anypony needs to know how much she's appreciated it's Pinkie Pie!

91 APPLEJACK
And I reckon she deserves one in her honor.

92 RAINBOW DASH
And we can get the whole town involved, just so she can see what a good friend she is to everypony!

93 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Then I hereby officially declare
today to be "Pinkie Pie
Appreciation Day!"

TIME CUT TO:

SC. 16 - EXT. PONYVILLE TOWN SQUARE - LATER

The entire town square is decorated with balloons, streamers and ribbons. Every pony in attendance is wearing a Pinkie Pie T-shirt, holding Pinkie Pie shaped balloons, as a Pinkie Pie float goes down the thoroughfare - passing posters of a smiling Pinkie on every surface.

Twilight uses her magic to finish attaching a giant banner (with a heart sign and Pinkie's picture) across the square. Fluttershy, Applejack, Rarity and Rainbow Dash admire everypony's hard work.

94 RARITY
This is just about perfection!

95 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, if anything can help Pinkie cheer up and make her forget about her Yovidophone, this is definitely it!

96 APPLEJACK
It sure is. Okay, who's going to get her?

97 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
No need. Gummy's on it. In fact, there he is now!

They turn to see Gummy standing alone.

98 APPLEJACK
Uh, Gummy? You were supposed to bring Pinkie Pie. What happened?

Gummy just stares at them.

99 RARITY
Is she still coming?

Again, Gummy just stares at them.

100 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Uh, Fluttershy, can you understand what he's saying?

101 FLUTTERSHY
I could... if he was talking.

102 SPIKE
Hold on. Let me try something.
(loudly) GUMMY, WHERE'S PINKIE PIE?

Gummy licks his own eye.

103 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Maybe we should just go and get
her?

Everypony nods in agreement.

SC. 17 - INT. PINKIE'S ROOM - CONTINUOUS

The gang climbs the stairs and looks out at a near empty room (think a Who's house after the Grinch's visit). Only a lone box remains.

104 APPLEJACK
What in tarnation's goin' on here?

105 RARITY
Yes! This decor is dreadful!

106 RAINBOW DASH
(gives her a look)
And all of Pinkie's stuff is gone?

107 RARITY
Yes. That is a thinker...

Rarity sits down on the box to puzzle it out. Maud enters and approaches Rarity.

108 MAUD
(re: the box) Excuse me.

109 RARITY
Oh, of course.

Rarity gets up as Maud pushes the box out of the door. They all exchange a quick glance, then follow her.

SC. 18 - EXT. SUGAR CUBE CORNER - CONTINUOUS

The gang follow Maud outside where she puts the last box onto a wagon full of other boxes. She walks around to the front, hitches herself up and starts walking. The others follow.

110 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Um... Maud, can I ask you a question?

111 MAUD
You just did.

112 APPLEJACK
Well, can I ask you a question?

113 MAUD
You just did.

114 RAINBOW DASH
Fine. How about if I ask you a-- wait...

Rarity jumps in front of Maud and stops her.

115 RARITY
Oh, for goodness sakes. Maud! All of your sister's things are gone!

116 MAUD
No they're not. They're right here.

Maud reaches back and opens a crate. An explosion of streamers shoot out, along with a couple of balloons.

117 FLUTTERSHY
Have you seen Pinkie Pie?

118 MAUD
Of course. Lots of times. I grew up with her.

Maud closes the crate and goes back to pulling the wagon. The others hurry to keep up.

119 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Okay, let's try this a different way. Why did you pack up all of Pinkie's things?

120 MAUD
She asked me to.

121 MANE 5
What?

122 MAUD
Pinkie told me to pack up her room and take everything to the rock farm.

123 MANE 5
What!?

124 MAUD
She said she wouldn't need them
since she's moving to Yakyakistan.

125 MANE 5
WHAT!?

Off of their shocked faces, we...

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 19 - EXT. PONYVILLE - RESUME

The gang stares at Maud in disbelief.

126 RARITY
I'm sorry, Maud, but I must have
misheard you. It almost sounded
like you said Pinkie's moved to
Yakyakistan.

127 APPLEJACK
Uh, Rarity, she did say that.

128 RARITY
I'm sorry Applejack, but I must
have misheard you. It almost
sounded like you said she did say
that.

Ignoring Rarity, Twilight turns to Maud.

129 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Maud, I don't understand. Why would
Pinkie leave Ponyville?

130 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah. Why would she wanna go live
with the Yaks?

131 MAUD
She said without the Yovidophone,
her life had no meaning and at
least in Yakyakistan she could
listen to the masters play. She
hoped that would give her some
semblance of happiness.

132 RARITY
Well, no. No, no, no. That won't do. That won't do at all.

133 APPLEJACK
I say we go to Yakyakistan right now and make her come on back home.

134 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Applejack, we can't just march up there and tell Pinkie what to do.

135 FLUTTERSHY
But, but we didn't even get a chance to say goodbye.

Everypony looks sad. Twilight considers what Fluttershy just said.

136 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Well, we may not be able to go to Yakyakistan and force her to come home -- but we could go say goodbye. And if we happen to mention how much her friendship means to us, and how much we'd miss her if she were gone forever - and then she decided to come back home on her own...

137 RAINBOW DASH
Then what are we waiting around here for? Let's get going to Yakyakistan!

SC. 20 - EXT. SKY - HOT AIR BALLOON - LATER

Twilight, Rarity, Applejack, Fluttershy and Rainbow Dash are all dressed for the cold weather.

138 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Alright, we're almost there.

139 FLUTTERSHY
I can't wait to see Pinkie Pie.

140 APPLEJACK
(looking green) And I can't wait to get back on solid ground!

The basket swings a little and AJ gets greener. As she holds a hoof up to her mouth, all of the other ponies squeeze to the other side, trying to get as far away from her as possible.

SC. 21 - EXT. YAKYAKISTAN TOWN CIRCLE - LATER

The balloon touches down in the middle of the town circle. Twilight uses her magic to attach a rope to anchor the balloon as the basket opens. Twilight, Rarity, Applejack, Fluttershy and Rainbow Dash exit the basket and look around the rustic village.

141 APPLEJACK
Pinkie's got to be around here
somewhere.

142 FLUTTERSHY
But where?

Suddenly, they hear A MELODIOUS SOUND coming out from a nearby open doorway (it's Yovidophone MUSIC, but it's unlike any we've heard so far).

143 RARITY
Is that..?

144 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
The music of the Yovidophone.

145 RAINBOW DASH
Are you sure? Because that actually
sounds kinda good.

146 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Oh, I'm sure. Come on!

They all head towards the door.

SC. 22 - INT. MEAD HALL - CONTINUOUS

Twilight, Rarity, Rainbow Dash, Applejack and Fluttershy are surprised to see the tone of the room is solemn and reverent. The yak AUDIENCE are all quietly appreciating the robed Yovidophone player on stage.

147 RAINBOW DASH
Huh. Not what I expected.

148 YAK AUDIENCE
Shhhh!

149 RAINBOW DASH
Oh, sorry.

150 YAK AUDIENCE
Shhh!

151 RAINBOW DASH
(quietly) I said I was sorry!

Fluttershy spots Pinkie Pie across the room.

152 FLUTTERSHY
There she is!

ANGLE ON: Pinkie Pie sitting at a table by herself at the edge of the stage. There's a stack of empty ice cream sundae bowls in front of her. A YAK WAITER passes:

153 PINKIE PIE
(re: empty bowl) Gimme another!

154 YAK WAITER
But pony already had--

155 PINKIE PIE
I said give me another!

She slams her hoof on the table.

ANGLE ON: The ponies start trying to work their way through the overly-packed room, past slightly annoyed Yaks, to Pinkie Pie.

156 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Pardon me.

157 APPLEJACK
Excuse us.

158 RAINBOW DASH
Sorry, was that your hoof?

ANGLE ON: Pinkie Pie at her table.

The Yovidophone player on stage finishes. The crowd responds with respectful stomps. Pinkie gives one half-hearted slow clap. The Yak Waiter passes by and places another large sundae on her table. She quickly slams it back in one gulp.

159 PINKIE PIE
I feel nothing.

160 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (O.S.)
Maybe we can help with that.

Twilight, Applejack, Rarity, Fluttershy and Rainbow Dash emerge from the crowd and join Pinkie at her table. At the table next to them another Yovidophone player, **YIGRID**, waits to take the stage.

161 PINKIE PIE
(flatly) Oh. Hey. What are you guys doing here?

162 APPLEJACK
Just hear us out.

163 RAINBOW DASH
We respect your decision to move to Yakyakistan--

164 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
But we just wanted to remind you how much you mean to us, and how much we'd miss you--

165 PINKIE PIE
--Fine. I'll move back to Ponyville.

166 RAINBOW DASH
Wow. That was a lot easier than I thought. We're awesome!

She starts to celebrate with the others, while Twilight turns to Pinkie.

167 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Pinkie, what's wrong?

168 PINKIE PIE
(pointing to stage) That's what's wrong. I thought coming here and listening to real Yovidophone playing would make me happy. But it makes me feel worse -- I'm never going to sound like them.

Yigrid turns to Pinkie.

169 YIGRID
(re: his Yovidophone) Yovidophone Fan-pony watch instrument while Yigrid visit little Yak's room?

Pinkie give a noncommittal shrug.

170 PINKIE PIE
Eh, if I can't play it, I might as well do menial chores for those who can.

Yigrid nods and puts the Yovidophone down on the table in front of her. Pinkie stares at the instrument, despondent. The others huddle up off to the side.

171 APPLEJACK
Okay, so Pinkie Pie is obviously still miserable.

Depressed, Pinkie rests her head on the Yovidophone.

172 FLUTTERSHY
I can't bear to see her like this.

The weight of Pinkie's head causes it to deflate a little and make a small SOUND. Pinkie instantly smiles.

173 RARITY
Indeed. But what else can we do?

Pinkie Pie pushes her head down on it again, making another SOUND and smiles even wider.

174 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, we've tried everything!

Pinkie sits up and starts pushing on it with her hooves.

175 FLUTTERSHY
(seeing Pinkie Pie) Maybe not!
Look!

They all turn and look at Pinkie, who's grinning like an idiot as she fiddles with the Yovidophone. She realizes they're watching and instantly yanks her hooves back and pushes the Yovidophone away.

176 PINKIE PIE
Whoops. Sorry. I forgot what an awful Yovidophoner I am.

177 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
But playing it makes you so happy!

178 PINKIE PIE
<SIGH> It sure does. (slumps) I mean it did.

179 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Then you should never stop!

The others all nod in agreement.

180 RAINBOW
 DASH/APPLEJACK/FLUTTERSHY/RARITY
Yeah! / Absolutely! / I agree! /
Without a doubt!

181 PINKIE PIE
(confused) But you were the ones
who told me to stop because I
wasn't good?

182 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
And we were wrong.

183 FLUTTERSHY
Playing makes you happy.

184 RARITY
And as long as it makes you happy,
it doesn't matter how good you are.

185 APPLEJACK
So get up there and show these yaks
how it's done!

Twilight floats the Yovidophone into Pinkie's hooves. Pinkie looks out at the crowd, then leans in to the others.

186 PINKIE PIE
 (LOUD WHISPER)
I don't know if you've noticed, but
the audience are all yaks and they
kinda have "issues" with things
that aren't perfect-- like my
playing.

187 RAINBOW DASH
Pinkie Pie, you get up on that
stage and play. If these Yaks don't
like it, they'll have to answer to
us!

The others nod with resolve.

188 PINKIE PIE
Well, okay. If you all say so.

ANGLE ON: The stage.

Rainbow Dash jets onto the stage and grabs a torch which she blows out and talks into like it's a mic.

189 RAINBOW DASH
Ladies and gentle yaks, performing
for her very first time here, let's
give a big round of stomps for --
Pinkie Pie.

Pinkie Pie slowly and hesitantly walks onto the stage.

190 PINKIE PIE
Uh, hi. So any yaks here from out
of town?

Silence.

191 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Okay. And a one, and a two and a
uh, I kinda remember what to do...

She begins playing, tentatively at first, but the more she
plays, the happier she gets and the more and more pink she
becomes and the less flat her hair is. She still sounds
awful.

Finally, back to her full pink happy self, Pinkie hits a
sharp note and slides across the stage on her knees in a big
finish. Her friends quickly gather around her, preparing for
the worst from the audience of Yaks.

The audience is silent for a beat -- then suddenly bursts
into <STOMPS> and <CHEERS>.

192 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Uhm, I kinda wasn't expecting this.

193 RAINBOW DASH
Yeah, me neither.

Yigrid, the Yovidophone player who Pinkie borrowed his
instrument from, walks over to her, clapping.

194 YIGRID
Pony play good set.

195 PINKIE PIE
Really? You think so? Even though
it wasn't perfect?

196 YIGRID
Yovidophone is instrument of
happiness. Playing Yovidophone
makes pony happy. Pony playing IS
perfect!

197 PINKIE PIE
Well, if that's the case, lemme
play you the song I just wrote two
seconds ago. It's called: "I've got
the best, most supportive friends a
pony could ever ask for." (off his
look) It's a working title.

198 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
And a one-

199 RARITY AND RAINBOW DASH
And a two-

200 FLUTTERSHY AND APPLEJACK
And a you know what to do-

Pinkie Pie happily bounces around playing the Yovidophone.
Off her friends, smiling at Pinkie's look of pure joy, we...

FADE OUT

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