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TEASER**PREVIOUSLY ON MLP...**

In a series of shots from MLP825 we see:

CELESTIA'S EMERGENCY SUMMIT

1 CELESTIA
Magic is fading from Equestria...
line TBD.

THE Y6 IMPRISONED BY CHANCELLOR NEIGHSAY

2 NEIGHSAY
Non-ponies are bad... line TBD.

SANDBAR ENLISTING THE AIDE OF THE CMCS

3 SANDBAR
Help me CMCS. You're my only
hope... line TBD.

TWILIGHT AND THE M6 TRAPPED IN TARTARUS WITH TIREK

4 TIREK
Alright I'll tell you who my
protege is... line TBD.

REVEAL STARLIGHT TRAPPED IN THE MAGIC-DRAINING PORTAL AS COZY GLOW MONOLOGUES HER DIABOLICAL PLAN.

5 COZY GLOW
I'm Tirek's protege! Mwah-ha-ha. My
plan is diabolical! ...line TBD.

END TEASER**MAIN TITLES****ACT ONE****SC. 1 - EXT. TARTARUS - DAY**

Resume on the MANE SIX and SPIKE in Tartarus. Twilight looks out at the bleak landscape, stunned.

6 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Wait. Cozy Glow is behind all of
this!?

Tirek looks down at Twilight and the others from his cell and nods <LAUGHING> weakly.

7 TIREK
I'm not usually a fan of ponies,
but draining your precious world of
magic so she could trap the six of
you was inspiring.

He <LAUGHS> again, trailing off into a sickly <COUGH>.

8 SPIKE
Um... There's seven of us.

9 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I knew we shouldn't have left!

Applejack leads Twilight and the others away from Tirek.

10 APPLEJACK
But Starlight's in charge at the
school. If anypony can stop Cozy
Glow, it's her.

Tirek calls down to them.

11 TIREK
Cozy Glow outsmarted the six of
you. I doubt this "Starlight"
stands a chance.

He tries to <LAUGH> but now it's just a <GASP>.

12 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
We have to get out of here. Our
students can't handle Cozy on their
own.

13 RAINBOW DASH
Then I guess we'll just have to
bust our way out!

Rainbow Dash flies at the closed stone door through which they entered, trying to break through, but just crashes into the wall with a <THUD> and slides to the ground. Rarity walks over and helps her up.

14 RARITY
Not everything can be solved with
brute force, dear. We need magic to
escape.

Pinkie bounces around the wall.

15 PINKIE PIE
Maybe there's a way to get out without magic. Like a secret lever, or a secret button, or a secret admirer who knows a secret about you, but is all, "Your secret's safe with me because I put it in Tartarus and I have a key."

16 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I'm afraid not. The most powerful villains and monsters of all time are trapped here. And without our magic, so are we.

Twilight looks over at Cerberus, his middle head asleep, while his other two heads pull his body in different directions. Suddenly, Twilight has an idea.

17 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
(realizing)
Unless...

Twilight looks at each of the other monsters in turn: The COCKATRICE <SQUAWKS> and a BURST of flame shoots out at; A BUGBEAR <BUZZES> and takes flight with its insect wings while; The CHIMERA, spins on the others, simultaneously <ROARING>, <BLEATING>, and <HISSING> from its various heads/tail.

18 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
...These creatures might be losing their magical powers, but there's still a magic that makes up what they are. Maybe we can borrow some of that!

SC. 2 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - HEADMARE'S OFFICE - DAY

Cozy politely <KNOCKS> and sticks her head inside, tentatively.

19 COZY GLOW
Excuse me, um... Chancellor Neighsay?

Neighsay doesn't look up from Twilight's desk, as he shuffles through books and papers.

20 NEIGHSAY
You might as well get used to calling me Headstallion Neighsay.
(MORE)

NEIGHSAY (CONT'D)

I plan to be here for quite some time.

Cozy takes a step inside.

21 COZY GLOW
Gee, it sure is a relief to have somepony in charge, what with the magical crisis going on, and we're all so grateful to you for taking care of those non-ponies, but doesn't the EEA need you?

Neighsay continues to focus on his paperwork.

22 NEIGHSAY
What the EEA needs is somepony to protect this school from the threats at Equestria's borders instead of gallivanting off on adventures beyond them.

Cozy takes another tentative step closer.

23 COZY GLOW
Twilight didn't just run off willy-nilly. She left me in charge. I'm her right-hoof-mare!

Neighsay looks up, surprised to see Cozy standing so close. He stands and heads toward the door.

24 NEIGHSAY
Another in a long list of mistakes the "Princess of Friendship" has made. Rest assured, from now on this school will be run according to strict EEA guidelines, the way it always should have been.

With that, he opens the door and gestures for Cozy to exit.

25 COZY GLOW
(overly effusive) Well, that sounds just peachy... Headstallion Neighsay!

As Cozy turns to exit we see her big, fake smile drop into a look of grim determination.

SC. 3 - INT. CATACOMBS - DAY

Sandbar and the CMCs look up at Starlight, still trapped in the SWIRLING ORB OF MAGIC from Part I - even bigger than before.

26 SWEETIE BELLE
Cozy Glow did all of this? How?
Why?

Apple Bloom rushes forward.

27 APPLE BLOOM
I don't know, but come on, y'all.
We gotta get Starlight out of there
before she comes back!

Inside the orb, Starlight waves frantically for them to stay away, but Scootaloo and Sweetie Belle follow Apple Bloom. Sandbar <SHOUTS> after them.

28 SANDBAR
Wait!

Sweetie Belle is the first to breach the edge of the MAGICAL WARDING CIRCLE created by the ARTIFACTS and GLOWING BANDS OF MAGIC. It whips out and locks onto her horn, pulling her in.

The others look on in shock as she's lifted off the ground.

29 SCOOTALOO
Sweetie Belle!

Sandbar rushes over and the three of them grab ahold of her, just managing to pull her free from the circle before they all fall to the ground, spent.

30 APPLE BLOOM
That's gotta be what's sucking up
all the magic in Equestria.

Inside the orb, Starlight nods.

31 SANDBAR
But if that's true, then Twilight
and the others went to Tartarus for
nothing.

They look at the swirling orb.

32 SANDBAR (CONT'D)
And if all of Equestria's magic is
getting sucked up in there, there's
no way for them to get back!

33 SCOOTALOO
We need to get help!

34 SWEETIE BELLE
But Starlight's trapped here,
Twilight and the others are in
Tartarus, and there's no way to get
word to Celestia or anypony else.

35 APPLE BLOOM
I guess we're on our own.

36 SANDBAR
Not necessarily...

Off the CMC's intrigued look...

SC. 4 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - DORMS - DAY

The YOUNG SIX (minus Sandbar) sit in their room. Gallus pulls at the door handle to no avail.

37 SMOLDER
(sarcastic)
Still locked, huh?

Gallus leaves the door and walks over to where the rest are sitting.

38 GALLUS
We gotta at least try to get out.

39 OCELLUS
Why? If Sandbar's turned his back
on us, every other pony probably
has too.

40 YONA
Sandbar not turn his back. Sandbar
is our friend.

41 SMOLDER
Did you miss the part where he said
he didn't want anything to do with
us?

42 SILVERSTREAM
Maybe he just said that so one of
us could be free to snoop around
and figure out what's going on!

Sandbar's voice comes from behind them.

43 SANDBAR (O.S.)
I don't know. That sounds too
clever for a pony to come up with.

They all turn to see Sandbar and the CMC's standing in the open doorway.

44 YONA
Yona knew Sandbar was still our
friend!

Overjoyed, Yona charges over and knocks Sandbar down with a hug. Sweetie Belle looks over at them.

45 SWEETIE BELLE
Of course he is. We all are.

46 SCOOTALOO
Except for Cozy Glow. That pony is
not who we thought she was.

47 APPLE BLOOM
She's the one draining magic outta
Equestria.

48 THE OTHERS
WHAT!?

49 SANDBAR
We'll explain on the way, but right
now we've gotta get to Chancellor
Neighsay.

The others all look at him like he's nuts.

50 SANDBAR (CONT'D)
I know he doesn't like non-ponies,
but if we tell him what's going on,
he'll help. Not even he wants an
Equestria without magic.

Off everyone's looks of concern...

SC. 5 - INT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - MAIN HALL - DAY

Neighsay stands before the entire student body, or what's left of them. Cozy stands with him.

51 NEIGHSAY
I'm sure you're all concerned about the magic situation, but I want to assure you that this institution is safe despite the absence of your Headmare. As your new Headstallion, let me be the first to say that the reign of Princess Twilight is over. From now on this school will adhere to EEA doctrine as it should have from the start.

The students stare, stunned. Cozy Glow breaks the silence with APPLAUSE. A few of the students join her with a smattering of half-hearted CLAPS.

52 COZY GLOW
Thank you, Chancellor Neighsay, for that rousing speech. I know you are a stallion who truly believes what you say.

Cozy steps down from her spot next to Neighsay and walks toward the students.

53 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
And when you say this school will be run according to EEA doctrine I know you mean it.

She heads up the aisle.

54 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
And when you say there won't be any more lessons from the Princess of Friendship at the School of Friendship - I guess you mean that too.

Unsettled <GRUMBLES> among the students prompts Neighsay to try to interrupt.

55 NEIGHSAY
That's not exact--

56 COZY GLOW
(barreling on)
But Twilight decided to run her school outside of the EEA guidelines. And even though you tried to stop her, Princesses Celestia and Luna trusted her enough to support her.

<MURMURS> of agreement start to echo back and forth through the group of students.

57 NEIGHSAY
Well, I wouldn't say--

58 COZY GLOW
So since I know you mean what you say, my question is really for the students.

She turns and addresses the crowd, pointing at Neighsay.

59 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Are we going to give the pony who already tried to wreck Twilight's school once another chance to do it?

Several students stand.

60 SEVERAL STUDENTS
NO! / No way! / Not gonna happen!

She turns back to Neighsay with a smile, all of the students gathering behind her.

61 COZY GLOW
I guess things will have to stay the way Twilight wants them - which includes leaving me in charge.

Neighsay looks around, panicked, as Cozy and her students close in.

62 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
But since you seem to want the Headmare's Office so badly, you can stay there. Under lock and key!

With that, the crowd of students take Neighsay as Cozy leads them out.

After a beat we PAN around the corner where the Y6 and the CMCs have been listening.

63 SANDBAR
Okay, so maybe we need a new plan.

Off the others' distress we...

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 6 - INT. SCHOOL - HEADMARE'S OFFICE - RESUME

Cozy Glow looks on as several students chain Neighsay to Twilight's desk.

64 COZY GLOW
Not too tight. We don't want to hurt the Chancellor. I'm sure Twilight will know what to do with him when she gets back.

The students finish and Cozy starts to usher them out.

65 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Now, back to class everyone. We've let the EEA disrupt our friendship studies long enough.

Once they all file out, Cozy shuts the door and starts unpacking a small box - littering Twilight's desk with "cute" tchotchke: a nameplate, framed pictures of herself, etc.

66 NEIGHSAY
Why are you doing this? I thought you wanted to have somepony in charge of the school.

Cozy Glow <LAUGHS> and picks up Neighsay's EEA MEDALLION.

67 COZY GLOW
Oh, I do! You just aren't the pony I had in mind.

She drops his medallion into her box and pulls out a collection of marionettes which she arranges on the desk.

68 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
I can't very well have the EEA running the school if I want to run it myself.

She puts another framed picture of herself on the desk.

69 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Of course that's just the beginning. You see, if there's one thing I've learned here, it's that friendship is the most powerful thing there is - and as Headmare of the School of Friendship, no pony will have more friends than me... (then, darkly) Making me the most powerful pony in Equestria!

Cozy Glow's dark expression quickly shifts again as she bursts into a fit of <GIGGLES>. She turns and exits while Neighsay's looks on in horror.

SC. 7 - INT. SCHOOL - OUTSIDE HEADMARE'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Cozy Glow, still <GIGGLING>, walks out of the office and right into...

70 SCOOTALOO (O.S.)
Hey, Cozy Glow. What's so funny?

71 SWEETIE BELLE
Are you just happy to be running
the school? I know I'd be.

72 APPLE BLOOM
I can't believe we were your
friendship mentors and now you're
Headmare!

73 COZY GLOW
 (false modesty)
Oh, I'm just keeping Twilight's
chair warm.

Cozy starts to move quickly down the hall. The CMCs follow.

74 APPLE BLOOM
Still, it's pretty impressive!

75 SWEETIE BELLE
Yeah. Is there anything we can do
to help?

76 SCOOTALOO
We can hang out with you all day if
you want.

Cozy Glow stops and looks at them, then smiles.

77 COZY GLOW
You know, there is something I need
help with.

78 APPLE BLOOM/SCOOTALOO/SWEETIE BELLE
Yay!/Whoo-hoo!/Awesome!

As Cozy leads them off, Scootaloo casts a glance back, giving a WINK to the Y6 who sneak into the Headmare's office.

SC. 8 - INT. SCHOOL - HEADMARE'S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS

Gallus sticks his head inside to see Neighsay, still chained to the desk, his head in his hooves.

79 GALLUS
 (whisper shout)
The coast is clear.

Neighsay's head pops up as the rest of the Y6 file in.

80 NEIGHSAY
Oh. Wonderful. I suppose you've all
come to gloat.

81 SMOLDER
Maybe a little.

Ocellus elbows Smolder as Sandbar and Silverstream step forward and start working to undo Neighsay's chains.

82 SILVERSTREAM
Actually, we've come to undo all
these chains and free you!

Neighsay stares at them, suspicious.

83 NEIGHSAY
Why?

84 YONA
Now that nasty pony met even
nastier pony, maybe nasty pony not
be so nasty.

With that, Yona STOMPS and breaks the lock holding the chains. Neighsay stares at them unsure, then...

85 SANDBAR
Also we'd kinda like to stop Cozy
before she drains all the magic
from Equestria.

86 NEIGHSAY
She's behind that as well?! I must
get word to Celestia and Luna.

87 SANDBAR
How? Without magic, it'll take
forever to get to them.

88 NEIGHSAY
Maybe not. While it's true that unicorns have lost their ability to cast spells, the most potent magic in Equestria is housed in our... artifacts!

He pulls his medallion from Cozy Glow's box and holds it up.

89 NEIGHSAY (CONT'D)
The EEA medallion allows me to travel throughout Equestria. Its magic worked when I chained you up - perhaps it still has enough to send me to the Princesses.

Neighsay holds out his medallion and tries to power up his horn. Magic STATIC crackles around his horn, then finally sparks a connection to the amulet and with a FLASH, he's gone.

90 OCELLUS
I hope he makes it.

91 SMOLDER
I hope he doesn't come back and lock us up again.

92 GALLUS
If he comes back.

93 SILVERSTREAM
Everything's gonna be fine!
Twilight and the others are probably already on their way.

Off the others' hopeful looks...

SC. 9 - EXT. TARTARUS - DAY

Back in Tartarus Applejack and Rainbow Dash chase Cerberus back and forth across screen. Fluttershy turns to Twilight.

94 FLUTTERSHY
Are you sure there's magic in Cerberus? Clarissa the pig has two tails, and while her singing voice is lovely, I don't think it's magical.

95 TWILIGHT SPARKLE

Clarissa the pig isn't the guardian of an underworld prison for villains and monsters. Besides, we need to try everything if we want to get out of here.

96 PINKIE PIE
I don't know, Tartarus isn't so bad. I could hang out here for awhile.

REVEAL - Pinkie roasting marshmallows on a stick over a small campfire. Suddenly a bugbear flies up, chomps off the marshmallow, <GROWLS>, and flies off.

97 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Maybe not forever, though.

Tirek <LAUGHS> down from his prison.

98 TIREK
But that is just what it will be. If my protege has followed my instructions, by sunset tonight, every last vestige of Equestrian magic will disappear into the ether forever!

The M6 all share a look of shock. Twilight marches up to Tirek's cell.

99 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Have you even thought about what losing magic would mean?

100 TIREK
It means the six of you will be trapped here forever, like me.

Spike shouts from down below.

101 SPIKE
(frustrated, correcting)
Seven!

102 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Exactly. It means you're trapped here. Forever. With us.

Tirek looks over at the Main Six - Spike jumping into frame at the end. Tirek frowns.

103 TIREK
I hadn't thought of it like that.

104 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Well, it isn't any more appealing
to me.

With that, she marches back to her friends.

105 SPIKE
So what do we do, Twilight?

106 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Dash and Applejack nearly have
Cerberus tired out. If Rarity
pitches in, I think they can get
him to sit still long enough to try
what I have in mind.

107 FLUTTERSHY
I'm sure I can get the other
monsters to help. (aside) Because I
would never call them monsters.

108 SPIKE
What about Tirek? He's probably got
some magic too, right?

Pinkie steps up with another stick and another marshmallow.

109 PINKIE PIE
Leave him to me.

Off Twilight's satisfied expression...

IN A QUICK SERIES OF SHOTS WE SEE...

CERBERUS - Applejack scratches one head while Dash holds a
round rock like a ball for another. Rarity holds out a bone
from a long deceased monster for the last head.

110 RARITY
Dooowwnn...

The big dog lays down. Rarity smiles and looks over with a
nod to...

FLUTTERSHY - who paces back and forth like a drill sergeant
in front of a line of monsters.

111 FLUTTERSHY
Okay, everyone. Time to show
Equestria that you aren't
"monsters," you're wonderful,
mystical creatures!

REVEAL - the line of monsters (Cockatrice, Bugbears, and Chimera,) all standing at attention. Fluttershy walks over to the bugbear and he sucks in his gut. Satisfied, she looks over to...

PINKIE PIE - who pulls a birthday cake, complete with lit candles, out of her hair and presents it to Tirek, who frowns. She snaps a party hat on his head. Tirek's frown deepens. Pinkie's eyes narrow as we CUT TO...

Pinkie dancing around Tirek, in party regalia.

112 PINKIE PIE
 (chant-singing)
*I know it's not your birthday so,
you get a party even though,
we'll sing and dance from one to
ten, and then we'll do it all
again!*

Tirek continues to sit scowling. CUT TO...

Pinkie pouring tea for Tirek, then for a collection of ROCKS she has set up around him like a tea party.

113 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
More tea Princess Pudding Rock?
 (bad ventriloquism)
"Oh, don't mind if I do!"
 (to Tirek)
I can do this alllll eternity.

114 TIREK
FINE! I'll help you leave. Just
please stop.

Pinkie shouts down to Twilight.

115 PINKIE PIE
TIREK'S IN!

Off Twilight looking out at her friends, pleased...

SC. 10 - INT. SCHOOL - HALLWAY - DAY

Cozy leads the CMCs down a hallway as the girls continue their excited chatter, still trying to keep her busy.

116 APPLE BLOOM
It's just so excitin' to have a
foal our age runnin' things. We
should have an ice cream social
every day! Let's plan one!

117 COZY GLOW
That's a splendid idea, Apple
Bloom.

Cozy Glow stops at a closet.

118 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
But to tell you the truth, the
thing I need help with most is
cleaning.

Sweetie Belle steps forward.

119 SWEETIE BELLE
Say no more. Just take us around
the school and show us everything
you want cleaned.

120 COZY GLOW
Actually, you can start right in
here.

Cozy opens the closet door and ushers them inside. The three
of them look back at her.

121 SCOOTALOO
It looks pretty clean already.

Cozy Glow give them a slow smile, then <SLAMS> the door and
locks them inside with a <CLICK>.

122 COZY GLOW
Do you three think you can fool me?
I know a diversion when I see it.
Guess it's time to check on all my
friends!

With that, Cozy heads off down the hall.

SC. 11 - INT. CATACOMBS - SAME

Sandbar leads the rest of the Y6 back through the catacombs.

123 YONA
Why pony lead us back down here?

Sandbar stops and points to the swirling orb of magic.

124 SANDBAR
We obviously can't handle Cozy on
our own, but we can't just sit
around and wait for help.
(MORE)

SANDBAR (CONT'D)

So, there's one more prisoner I think we should free.

Sandbar leads them up to the edge and they all look in to see Starlight.

125 SILVERSTREAM
Ooh! Ooh! I guess Starlight. Is it Starlight?

Starlight whirls around inside the magic aquarium. Yona jumps up to look in.

126 YONA
Counselor pony come out! We need help with nasty pony!

Starlight tries to talk but no sound penetrates the vortex.

127 SANDBAR
She can't talk to us from in there. We'll have to figure out a way to get her out.

They all examine the orb, looking at the GLOWING ARTIFACTS spaced around it.

With sudden realization, Gallus races around to each one.

128 GALLUS
Hey! This is just like chapter twelve in *Kanthaka's Facts & Artifacts*, from Twilight's class.

The others just stare at him.

129 GALLUS (CONT'D)
(defensive)
What? I've been studying. Finals are coming up, you know.

130 OCELLUS
(suddenly excited too)
Actually, I remember that too. Cozy must have linked these artifacts to act like a mystical magnet, attracting all the magic in Equestria into that orb!

Smolder flies over to one of the artifacts.

131 SMOLDER
So, we can shut it down by yanking one of these things out, right?

She reaches for one.

132 OCELLUS
(obliviously excited)
Sure, though, that would probably
cause a magical feedback loop and
destroy the whole school.

A voice comes from behind them.

133 COZY GLOW (O.S.)
Destroy the School of Friendship?
Oh, dear...

The Y6 turn to see Cozy with a group of students all staring
angrily at them.

134 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
Chancellor Neighsay was wrong about
a lot of things, but I guess he was
right about all of you.

Off the worried looks of the Y6...

SC. 12 - INT. TARTARUS - DAY

Twilight stands on the plateau looking over Tartarus.

135 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Alright. Is everypony ready?

Fluttershy stands with her chorus of monsters.

136 FLUTTERSHY
I don't know about everypony, but
every creature sure is.

Applejack, Rainbow Dash, and Rarity look up from their
station with Cerberus. Rarity holding another bone up for her
salivating Cerberus head.

137 RARITY
(to Cerberus)
Siiiiiiit. (then, quickly) Though I
can't say for how much longer.

Pinkie calls out from her spot by Tirek's cage, somehow she's
dressed like a cymbal-playing monkey toy. She <BANGS> her
CYMBALS and Tirek cringes.

138 TIREK
Yes, by all means. Please, get on
with it.

Twilight nods and tries to power up her horn. It sparks and fizzles.

139 PINKIE PIE
There's your cue, you evil centaur,
you.

Pinkie <CRASHES> her cymbals again and Tirek sends a small stream of magic from between his horns at Twilight, whose own horn glows more brightly.

With slightly renewed magic, Twilight turns to Cerberus and the other creatures and sends a small stream of magic at them.

As it connects with each of her targets, the stream glows brighter, turning into a streaming spiral that envelopes each creature in turn.

CERBERUS - glows brighter and brighter until, in a FLASH, he is transformed from a giant, three-headed dog into a normal sized, single headed one.

THE BUGBEARS AND COCKATRICE - are likewise surrounded by the glowing spiral which increases in intensity until with another FLASH, the creatures are transformed into a menagerie of their individual parts: pandas, wasps, snakes and chickens.

THE CHIMERA - is the last to glow brightly until a FLASH reveals its own animal make up: A python wrapped around a tiger hugging a goat. The creatures all look at each other, then break their embrace, embarrassed.

The aura of magic that had surrounded all the creatures swirls into a series of vapor trails that, along with the stream of magic from Tirek, are abruptly drawn into Twilight's horn like a sharp intake of breath.

Twilight looks to the others, her horn glowing brightly.

140 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
That's it! I think it worked!

Twilight uses her horn to make an OUTLINE OF MAGIC in the nearby rock, opening the portal to the outside.

141 TWILIGHT SPARKLE (CONT'D)
Come on! I don't know how long I
can hold it!

The others each look to their charges.

Pinkie to Tirek:

142 PINKIE PIE
Thanks for the assist, your
redness!

Dash tosses her rock ball to Cerberus.

143 RAINBOW DASH
Good boy!

Fluttershy gives each former monster a hug.

144 FLUTTERSHY
Bye friends! Hopefully we'll be
able to turn you all back into your
normal wonderful selves soon.

They all rush to join Twilight and the whole group jumps
through the opening just as it SLAMS CLOSED behind them.

After a beat - ON TIREK

145 TIREK
The rest of eternity is going to be
pretty dull after that.

As the other creatures all nod in agreement...

SC. 13 - EXT. EQUESTRIA - CONTINUOUS

The Mane Six all fall out of the portal and land on the
ground. Pinkie jumps up with an enthusiastic <CHEER>.

146 PINKIE PIE
Yay! Twilight did it!

Twilight turns to the group.

147 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
I couldn't have without all of your
help.

148 PINKIE PIE
(still jumping)
YAY! WE ALL DID IT!

The others look past Twilight and Pinkie, despair drawn on
their faces.

149 RARITY
Actually, dear, I'm not sure we
did.

Rarity points into the distance and Twilight whirls around to see the sun just starting to dip below the horizon.

150 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
NO!

151 APPLEJACK
Tirek said all of Equestria's magic
would be gone at sunset.

Twilight tries to power up her horn again but it just
FIZZLES.

152 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Without magic there's no way we'll
get back to the school in time.

153 FLUTTERSHY
What does that mean?

154 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
It means we failed.

Off all of their stunned and disheartened looks we...

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE

SC. 14 - INT. CATACOMBS - DAY

Back in the catacombs, the Y6 face off against Cozy and her students. Cozy looks at them, fake pleading.

155 COZY GLOW
After everything Twilight's done
for you, why would you want to
destroy her school?

Gallus flies over and gets in Cozy's face.

156 GALLUS
We don't! You're the one using
these artifacts to drain magic from
Equestria.

157 COZY GLOW
Me? We all just saw you with your
claws all over them.

Cozy turns to her minions with manufactured realization.

158 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
It all makes sense. These creatures
want magic gone from Equestria
because it's the only thing ponies
have that they don't!

159 OCELLUS
Technically, both mine and
Silverstream's transformations have
a magical component.

Yona rushes up and <STOMPS> at Cozy Glow.

160 YONA
And Yona's friends' friendship is
magic. Twilight said!

161 COZY GLOW
And you repaid her by sending her
to Tartarus on a while goose chase
so you could destroy everything
she's built!

She looks up at Starlight trapped in the orb as if seeing her
for the first time and <GASPS>.

162 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
They've even trapped Starlight in
that thing! (to her minions) We
have to defend the school!

Despite Starlight shaking her head, Cozy directs several
students to rush forward and subdue the Y6. Sandbar holds up
his hooves.

163 SANDBAR
No! Don't listen to her!

But the students ignore him. Two grab at Gallus who takes
wing to avoid them, but crashes into one of the caverns'
crystal columns and drops RIGHT INTO THE SWIRLING ORB!

164 SMOLDER
Gallus!

Half inside the swirling bubble, Gallus struggles to flap
himself free, but BANDS OF MAGIC whip out and start to wrap
around the rest of him.

The other Y6 immediately come to his aide: both Sandbar and
Yona pulling at his claws while Smolder, Ocellus, and
Silverstream hover above, yanking at his wings.

Cozy's students watch them struggle, unsure what to do, but Cozy looks to Yona with a smug smile.

165 COZY GLOW
I guess your friendship isn't so magical after all.

With that, she gives Yona a shove and the Yak loses her balance, tumbling forward. As the rest refuse to let go, Yona's and Gallus' weight drags them all into the orb.

With a FLASH they're all sucked inside. Suddenly, the floor beneath the orb drops away. Within the magic circle of the artifacts and swirling void appears, pulling at the orb and everything inside it.

Cozy looks up at Starlight and the Y6, all trying desperately to swim against the current, fighting to keep from being pulled inside. Cozy smiles as several students rush up.

166 PONY STUDENT
They just sacrificed themselves trying to save their friend. Professor Dash always says there's nothing more loyal than that. Shouldn't we try to save them?

Cozy turns to the students and smugly shakes her head.

167 COZY GLOW
They brought this on themselves. There's nothing we can do.

168 PONY STUDENT 2
That doesn't seem very generous, or kind.

Cozy looks to the small crowd of students who look to her questioning.

169 COZY GLOW
Yes, yes. Loyalty, generosity, kindness, laughter, honesty, the Elements of Harmony are very important. They're just not applicable in every circumstance.

Cozy turns to lead the students away, not noticing the crystal columns around them start to PULSE AND GLOW.

170 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
And with magic gone from Equestria,
I'm not sure even the Tree of
Harmony will be as helpful as it
once was.

Suddenly, shafts of glowing magic (corresponding to the colors of the six Elements of Harmony) shoot out from the swirling orb of magic and connect to the columns.

As the colored magical energy bounces around the catacombs, reflecting off of the various crystal surfaces, Cozy looks around in a panic.

171 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
What's happening?!

Finally the pinging shafts of energy all focus on the vortex bubble and in a blast of energy, the Y6 rise out of it, bathed in the glowing magical light.

172 PONY STUDENT 2
They're glowing like the Elements.
I think the Tree of Harmony saved
them.

Gallus looks down at Cozy as he and his friends hover over each of their races' ARTIFACT.

173 GALLUS
Guess our friendship is pretty
magical after all.

Ocellus looks to the others.

174 OCELLUS
Hurry, grab the artifacts!

175 SILVERSTREAM
Um... Didn't you say that could
destroy the school?

176 OCELLUS
It could, but if we don't try we
could lose magic forever.

The Y6 all look to each other and nod. Sandbar looks to Cozy and her minions.

177 SANDBAR
You all better get clear.

The students waste no time turning tail and rushing out. Cozy runs after shouting.

178 COZY GLOW
Wait! Where are you going? Stop!

With the students out of harm's way, the Y6 take hold of the artifacts and pull them free. The GLOW around each of them intensifies.

The swirling bubble of magic swells and glows, pushing outward at its surface. With a FLASH, the Y6 vanish just before the bubble BURSTS in a massive BLAST of magic that shoots upward as we...

CUT TO:

SC. 15 - EXT. EQUESTRIA - VARIOUS

The bright COLUMN OF MAGIC shoots skyward as magical energy rains down over Equestria and we see shots of:

THE ROAD TO PONYVILLE - where Neighsay leads an exhausted CELESTIA, LUNA, and a battalion of CANTERLOT GUARDS toward Ponyville. Suddenly, magic rains down on all of them and their energy returns. Celestia - her hair rejuvenated and flowing - takes wing as they all charge forward.

TARTARUS - where magic penetrates the cavern walls, raining down on the various creatures who one by one return to the their previous monstrous states - then immediately start hissing, buzzing, and growling at each other. Even Tirek, looks reinvigorated. He walks forward and grabs the bars of his cell, then hits his horns on the hard steel with a <CLANG>. Tirek frowns, still very much a prisoner.

A HILLSIDE - where Twilight and the M6 trudge to their school, depressed. Suddenly, MAGIC rains down and their vitality returns. They exchange looks of relief and joy as Twilight BAMFS around the group, excited. Rarity levitates a nearby leaf to fan herself as we CUT TO...

SC. 16 - EXT. TWILIGHT'S SCHOOL - COURTYARD - CONTINUOUS

Cozy and her students rush into the quad as the Y6 and Starlight appear with a FLASH. Yona sees Starlight and rushes toward her, excited.

179 YONA
Counselor Pony!

Starlight instinctively freezes Yona with MAGIC before the yak can knock her down in her exuberance.

180 STARLIGHT
It's nice to see you too.

181 OCELLUS
I guess magic is back.

Cozy stares at them all, seething.

182 COZY GLOW
You've ruined everything! Now
Twilight and her ridiculous friends
can escape from Tartarus!

As the rest of the students all look at Cozy in shock, Twilight and the Mane Six gallop up, followed by Neighsay, Celestia, Luna, and the Guards. Cozy back-peddles...

183 COZY GLOW (CONT'D)
I mean... Yay! All my friends are
safe.

Applejack steps forward.

184 APPLEJACK
You can drop the act Cozy Glow.
Your pen pal, Tirek, told us all
about how he helped you suck up all
that magic.

185 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
But I still don't understand why?

186 COZY GLOW
(dropping all pretense)
Why? Because friendship is power.
How do you not get that? You might
be the Princess of Friendship, but
as Headmare of this school I can
collect even more friends than you.

Twilight shakes her head at Cozy.

187 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
You're the one who doesn't get it,
Cozy. Friendship is powerful, but
power isn't why you make friends.
I'm sorry I couldn't teach you
that.

The Y6 all step forward.

188 GALLUS
Well, you taught US!

189 SILVERSTREAM
You can't let one bad apple make
you think you failed.

190 SANDBAR
And we never could have stopped her
if we hadn't learned what you
taught us about friendship.

191 COZY GLOW
(mocking)
What? Honesty? Loyalty? Generosity?
Laughter? Kindness? Magic? I can
make more friends without using any
of them. And if I can't do it here,
I'll do it somewhere else!

With that, she makes a run for the exit, but her former
students bar her path.

192 PONY STUDENT
Yeah. I don't think so.

She tries another way, but the Canterlot Guards head her off.
Off Cozy, trapped and seething...

SC. 17 - INT. SCHOOL - HALLWAY - DAY

Twilight walks through the halls with Celestia, Luna, and
Neighsay.

193 NEIGHSAY
I am glad you are back in charge of
the School of Friendship, Princess.
It is clear to me now that there is
no pony better suited for the job.

As they turn the corner, they come across the Y6, wearing
graduation robes and lined up solemnly in front of Spike who
<BURPS> out a rolled up SCROLL for each of them in turn.

194 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
What's going on?

195 SILVERSTREAM
Oh, hi Headmare Twilight. We're
just practicing for graduation.

196 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Graduation?!

197 GALLUS
Sure. Now that we've saved
Equestria, we figured we were done
with school.

Twilight, Celestia, Luna, and Neighsay all exchange looks and burst out <LAUGHING>.

198 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(LAUGHS)
Saving Equestria is nice, but I'm
afraid it'll take more than one
semester to learn all there is to
know about friendship.

Spike <COUGHS> up another scroll.

199 SPIKE
Toldja.

200 ALL THE Y6
AWWWWWW!

201 NEIGHSAY
Your Headmare is right. I thought
friendship was something that only
ponies should share with each
other, but you all taught me how
wrong I was. I suppose true
friendship can take a lifetime to
understand.

202 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
(with a wink)
Well, if it were easy to learn, we
wouldn't need a school.

Just then, a nearby door BURSTS open and the CMCs all tumble out. They look at the Y6.

203 APPLE BLOOM
We held her off as long as we
could!

204 SCOOTALOO
But she locked us in this closet!

205 SWEETIE BELLE
What happened! Is everything all
right? Where's Cozy Glow?

The others all exchange surprised looks that burst into <LAUGHTER>.

206 TWILIGHT SPARKLE
Everything worked out just fine.

207 CELESTIA
As for Cozy Glow, I can assure you.
Where she's going, she won't be
causing any more trouble.

Off everyone's satisfied expression we...

FADE OUT

FADE IN

SC. 18 - EXT. TARTARUS - DAY

Tirek still sits in his cell. He looks out at Tartarus and
<SIGHS>. PAN OVER to Cerberus who, <WHIMPERS>.

208 TIREK
(in response)
Of course it's boring here now, but
at least you're not in a cage.

Suddenly, there's a FLASH OF LIGHT from off screen. Tirek
looks over to see Cozy Glow in the cell next to him.

209 COZY GLOW
Life's never boring when you've got
friends.

Of Cozy's diabolical smile we...

CUT TO BLACK

END SEASON 8!