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After a nightmare-filled slumber party, Rarity has been whisked away to the moon by dark, unknown forces! Now the ponies, along with Princess Celestia and Luna, prepare a plan to get her back!

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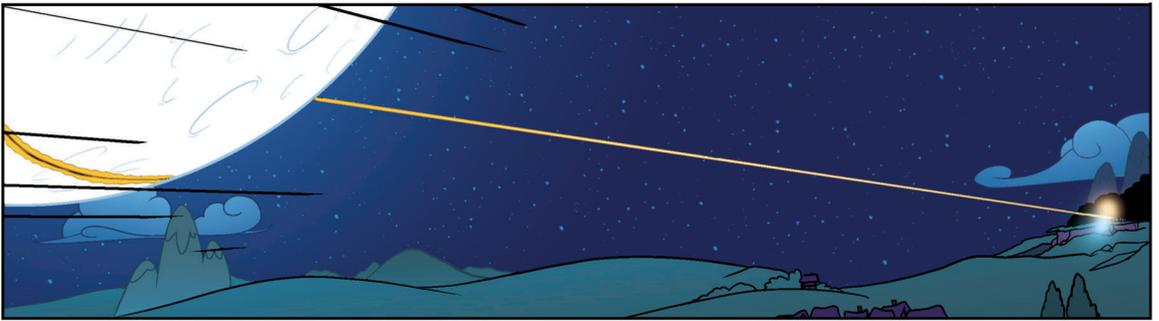
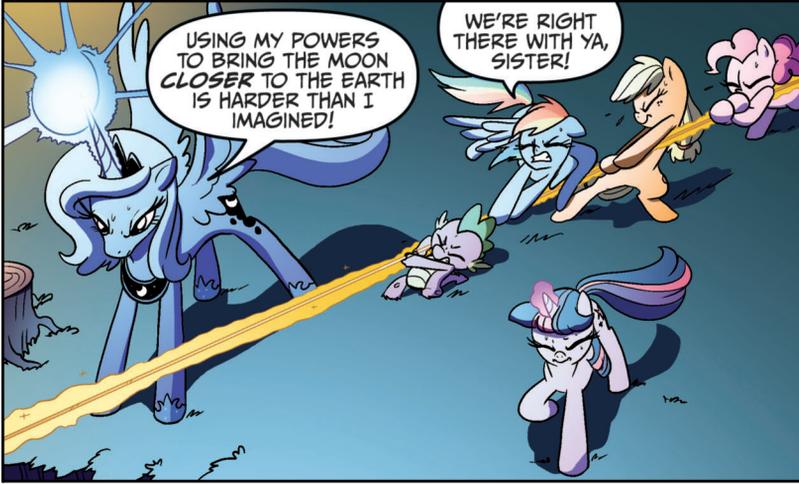
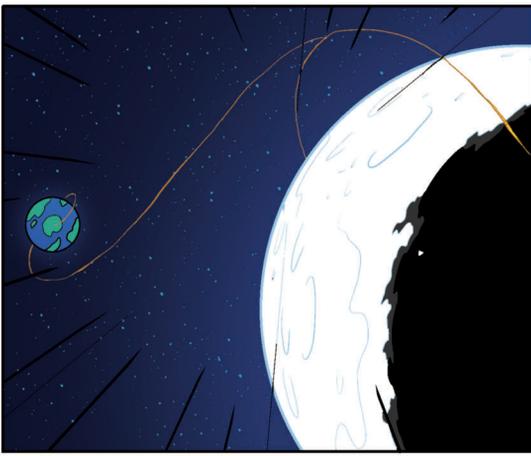
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WELL, THAT'S ONE SMALL STEP FOR PONIES, ONE GIANT LEAP FOR PONYKIND!

JUST KEEP YOUR EYES FORWARD, APPLEJACK. DO NOT THINK ABOUT THAT GOSH-DARN-DEEP-DARKNESS DOWN BELOW.



ARE YOU KIDDING? THIS IS AWESOME!

SAID THE PONY WITH WINGS.



IN SPACE, NO ONE CAN HEAR YOU SQUEE!

YOU'RE NOT HELPING.



UH, SPIKE, ARE YOU SURE ALL OF THAT IS REALLY NECESSARY?

WE NEED TO BE PREPARED FOR ANYTHING! THIS IS RARITY'S SAFETY WE'RE TALKING ABOUT!

BUT THE WEIGHT... AREN'T YOU AFRAID IT MIGHT BE A TOUCH TOO HEAVY?



NONSENSE! THIS KNOT IS AS SOLID AS—



SQUEE!

THEY WERE WRONG! I TOTALLY HEARD THAT!

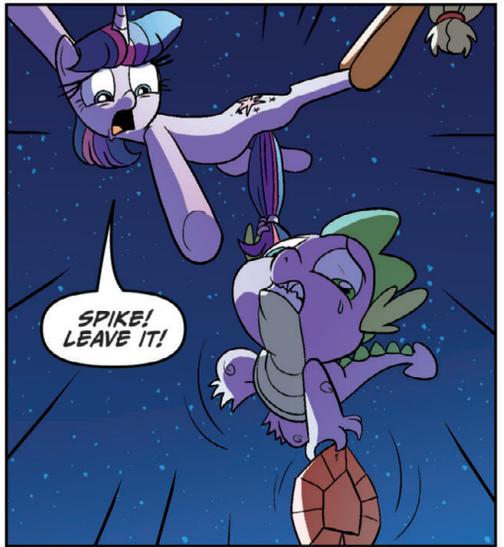


SPIKE, GRAB MY HOOF, I CAN'T HOLD YOU WITH MY MAGIC!

BUT THE RUBY!
IT'S FOR RARITY!



JUST A LITTLE LONGER, THEN MY MAGIC CAN GUIDE YOU DOWN...



SPIKE!
LEAVE IT!



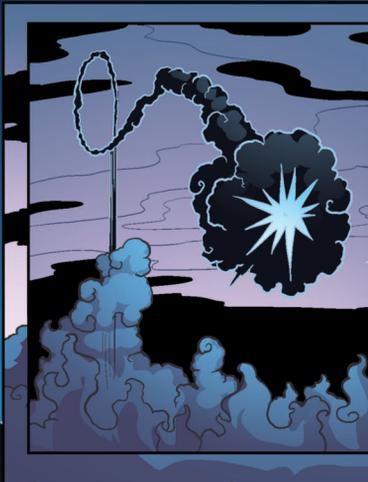
NOOOO!



AW, TWILIGHT, YOU'RE THE BEST!









DON'T WORRY, FLUTTERSHY, WE'LL BE OKAY! HEY, I KNOW! WE'LL PLAY A GAME!

I SPY, WITH MY LITTLE EYE, SOMETHING... **BLACK!**

OH! IS IT THAT THING THAT LOOKS LIKE A SHADOW OF A SHADOW?

I KNOW, I KNOW! HOW ABOUT...

EVERY SINGLE THING THAT SURROUNDS US?



... THAT EXTRA DARK PATCH OF SOMETHING RIGHT BELOW THAT GRAYISH BLOBBY THING?

DING-DING-DING! YOU ARE CORRECT, SIR!

I WAS SO CLOSE.



NOT TO TOOT MY OWN HORN, BUT I AM PRETTY DARN GOOD AT "I SPY."

SPEAKING OF HORNS TOOTING, I THINK THEY DO KNOW WE'RE HERE.

HOW CAN YA TELL?

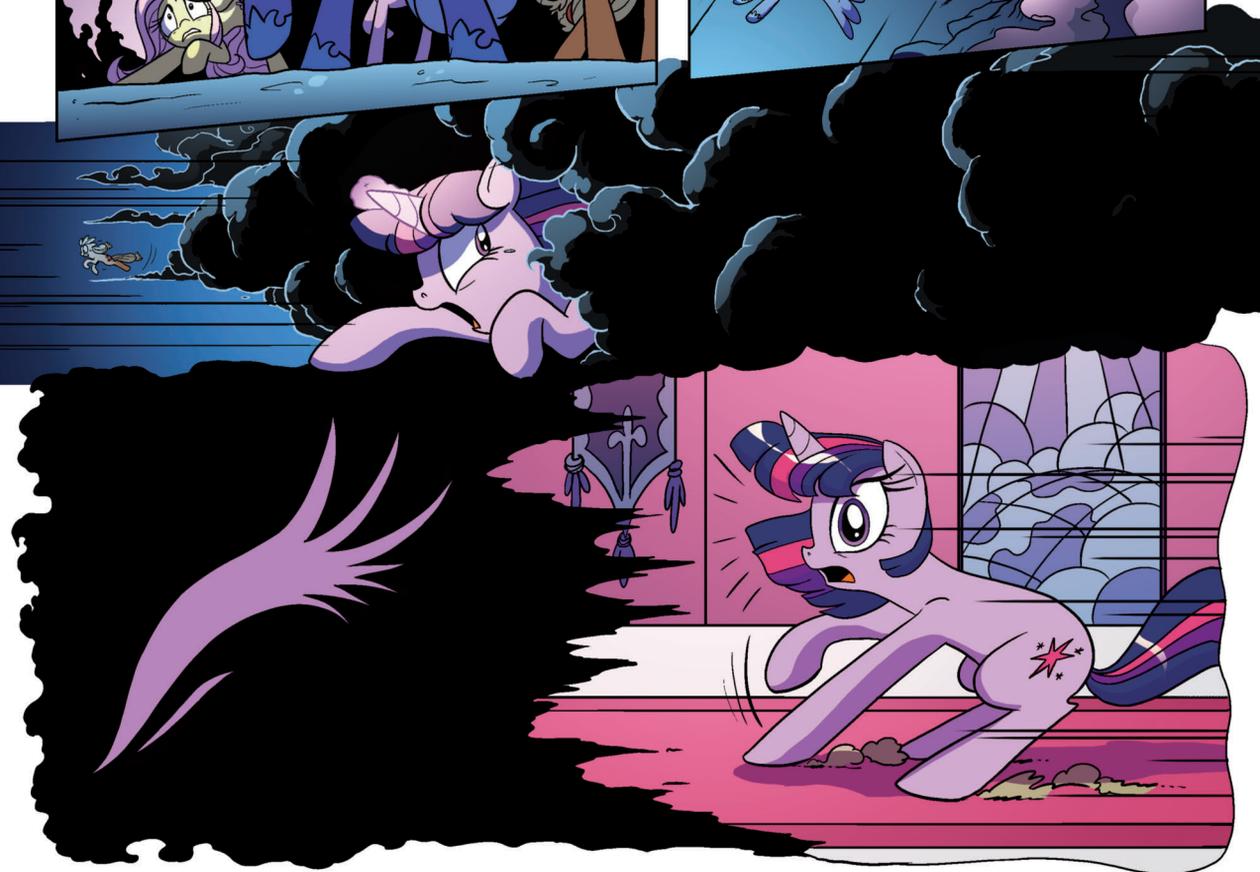
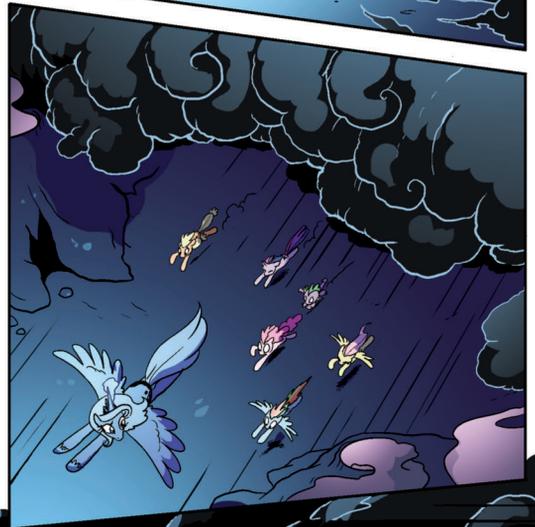


CALL IT A HUNCH.



WELL, HOWDY THERE, LITTLE CRITTERS WITH YER SPARKLY EYES! WHUDDAYA CALL THAT, FLUTTERSHY?

POSSIBLE INHERENT EVIL?





WHAT THE HAY?



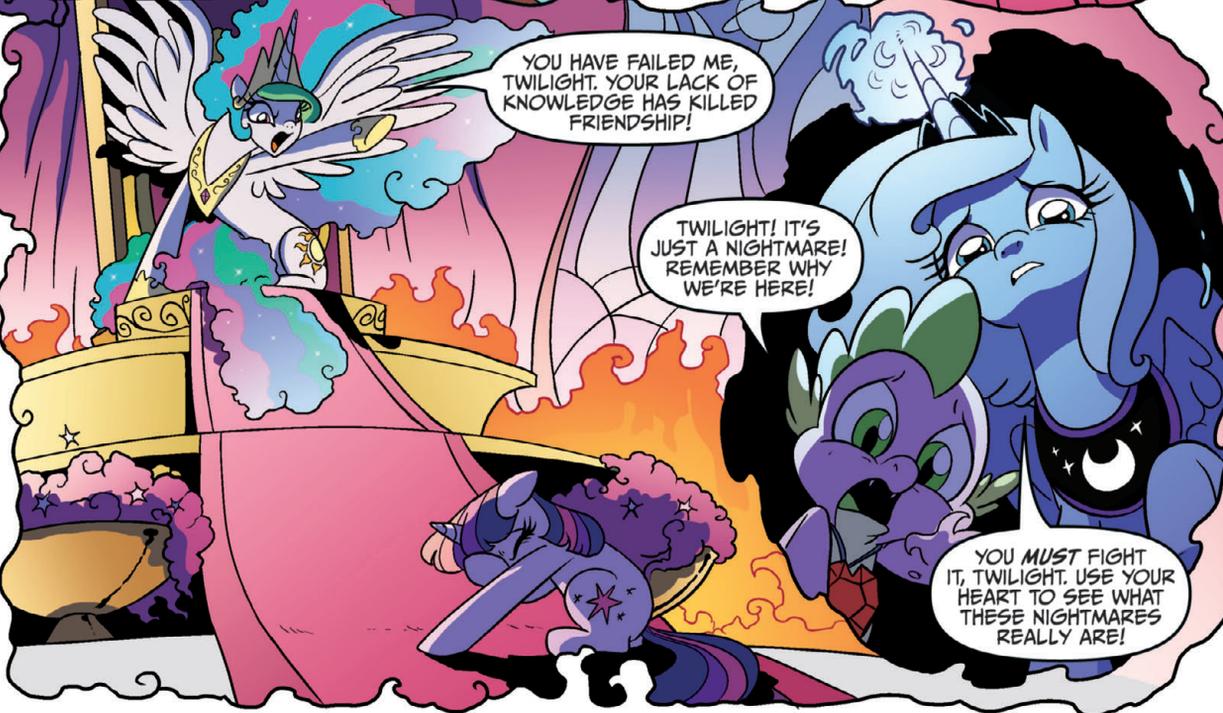
PRINCESS CELESTIA! YOU WOULD NEVER BELIEVE—

...AND YOU, TWILIGHT SPARKLE, HAVE NO RESPECT FOR THE POWER YOU HAVE—YOU'RE CARELESS AND DANGEROUS! YOU ARE DISMISSED. FOREVER.



WHAT?! NO!

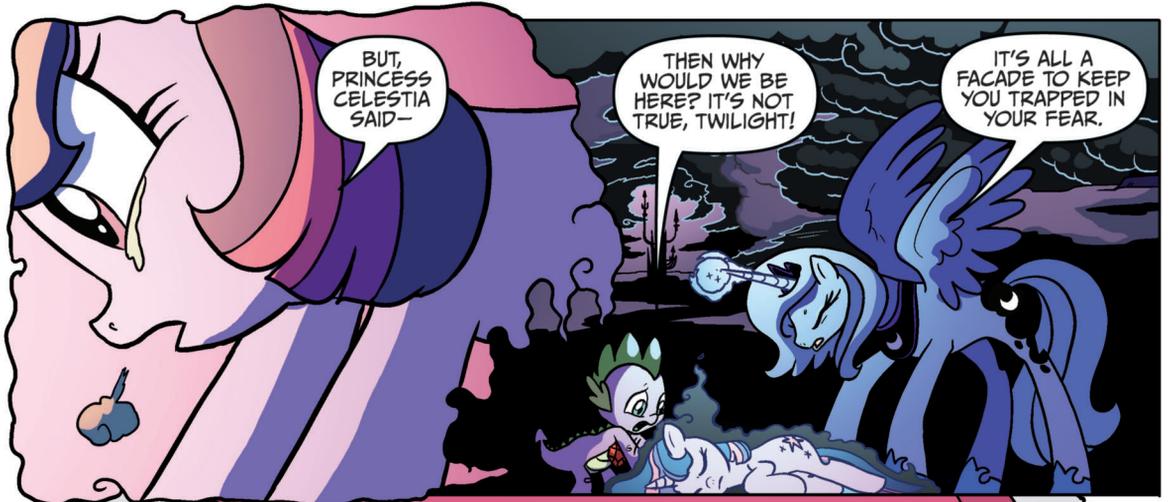
THE MAGIC OF FRIENDSHIP IS DEAD, TWILIGHT, AND IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF YOU.



YOU HAVE FAILED ME, TWILIGHT. YOUR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE HAS KILLED FRIENDSHIP!

TWILIGHT! IT'S JUST A NIGHTMARE! REMEMBER WHY WE'RE HERE!

YOU *MUST* FIGHT IT, TWILIGHT. USE YOUR HEART TO SEE WHAT THESE NIGHTMARES REALLY ARE!



BUT, PRINCESS CELESTIA SAID—

THEN WHY WOULD WE BE HERE? IT'S NOT TRUE, TWILIGHT!

IT'S ALL A FACADE TO KEEP YOU TRAPPED IN YOUR FEAR.



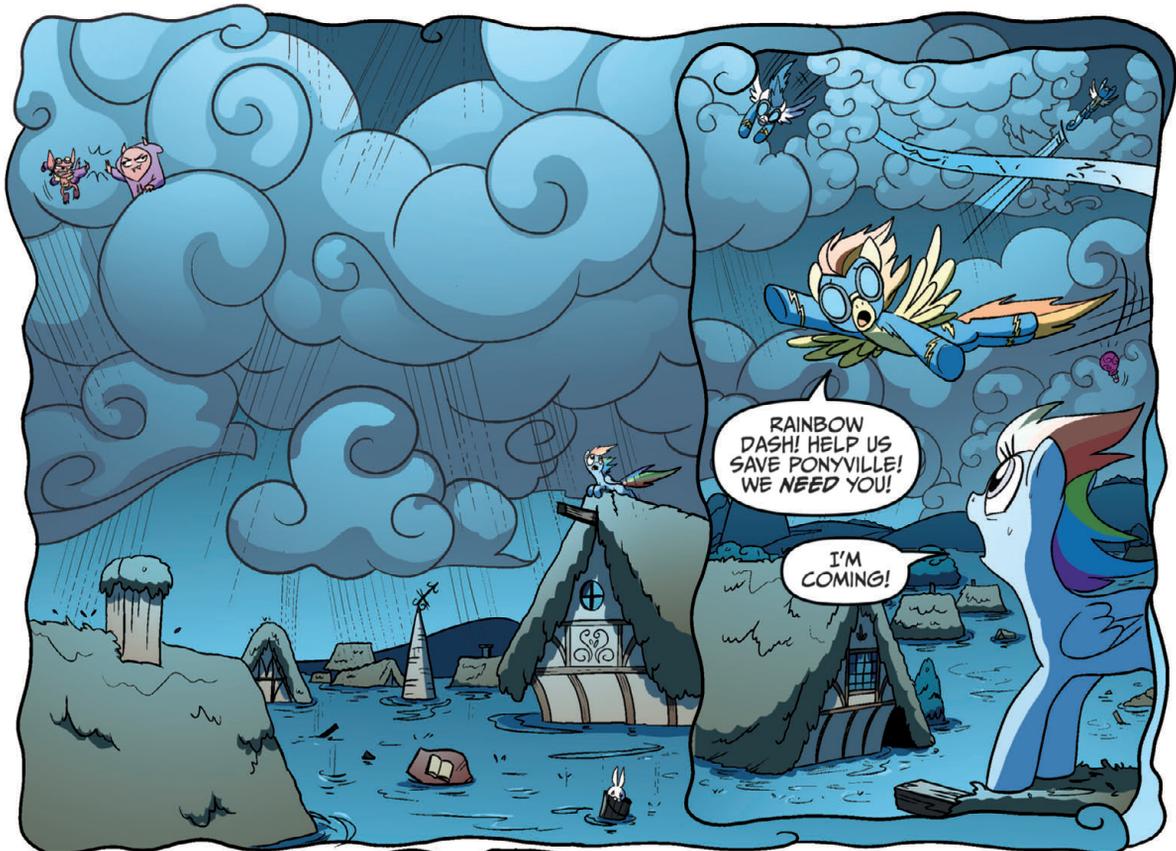
FRIENDSHIP IS NOT DEAD...



AND NIGHTMARES AREN'T REAL!



WE MUST SAVE THE OTHERS FROM THEIR NIGHTMARES BEFORE THEY ARE TRAPPED IN THEM FOREVER!



RAINBOW DASH! HELP US SAVE PONYVILLE! WE NEED YOU!

I'M COMING!



OH NO! I CAN'T FLY!



I KNOW, I KNOW! THE CLOUDS. I CAN'T MOVE THEM. MY... MY WINGS ARE CLIPPED...

NO THEY AREN'T, RAINBOW DASH!

NO! LOOK AT ME! I'LL NEVER FLY AGAIN.



THIS IS JUST A NIGHTMARE. LOOK-



MY FEAR IS MAKING THIS REAL?!

I AM NOT AFRAID!

HA-HA! NICE TRY, SLOW SMOKE!



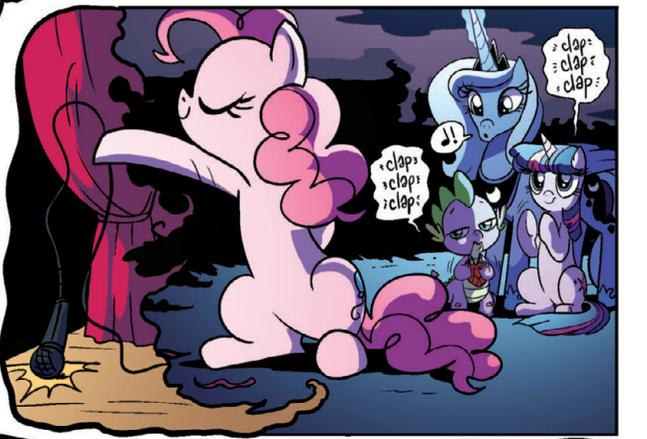
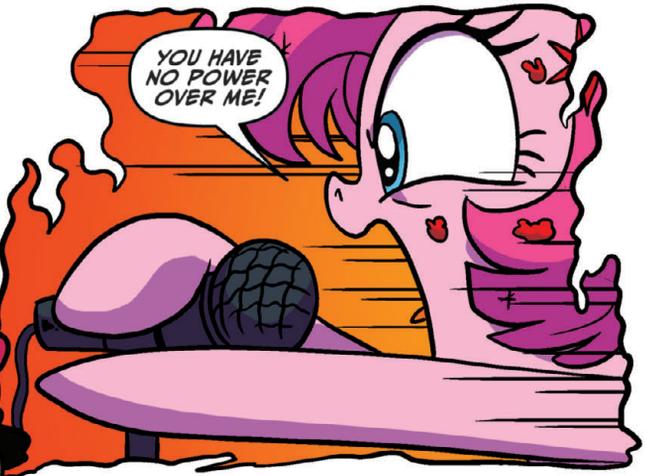
SO YOU CAN'T PARTY?!

yay Pinkie Pie!
please wake up now!!

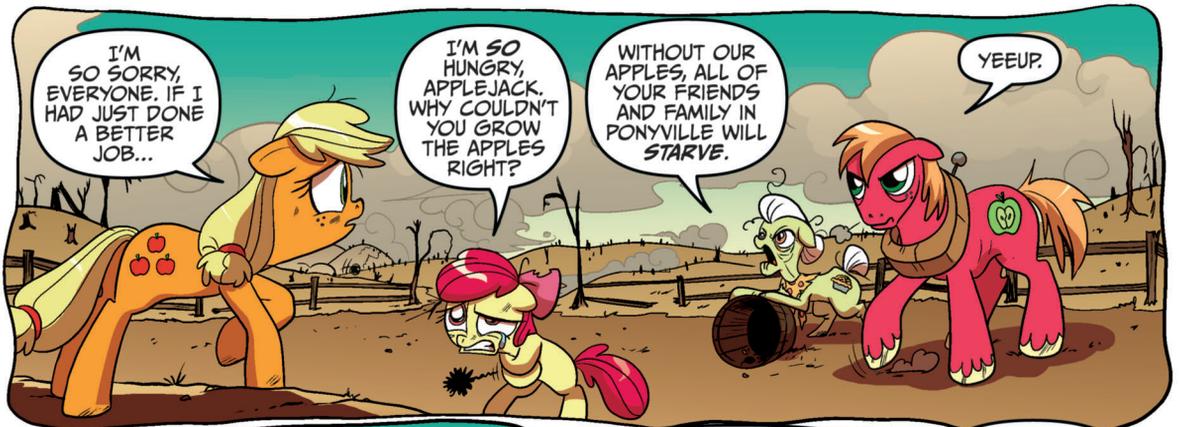


ARE YOU NOT AMUSED?!

GUESS WHAT, NIGHTMARE-SCHMITEMARE?!







I'M SO SORRY, EVERYONE. IF I HAD JUST DONE A BETTER JOB...

I'M SO HUNGRY, APPLEJACK. WHY COULDN'T YOU GROW THE APPLES RIGHT?

WITHOUT OUR APPLES, ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN PONYVILLE WILL STARVE.

YEEUP.



WHAT ARE Y'ALL DOIN' HERE? YA GOTTA GET OUT—THERE'S NO MORE FOOD LEFT.

NO, APPLEJACK, ALL OF THIS IS JUST A NIGHTMARE!



I DON'T UNDERSTAND. CAN'T YA SEE—ALL THE TREES ARE DEAD! MY KIN ARE STARVING!

APPLEJACK, THIS IS A NIGHTMARE, AND THAT'S ALL IT WILL EVER BE. YOU ARE AN AMAZING FARMER! YOU KNOW THAT IF THERE WAS EVEN THE SLIGHTEST SIGN OF TROUBLE, WE'D BE THERE TO HELP OUT.



IT JUST SEEMS SO REAL...

SEE, THESE NIGHTMARE GUYS WANT TO TRAP ALL OF YOU HERE SO YOU CAN'T USE THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY TO BEAT THEM!

SPIKE'S RIGHT—IT WILL TAKE ALL OF US TO GET RARITY BACK AND SAVE PONYVILLE. WE NEED YOU.

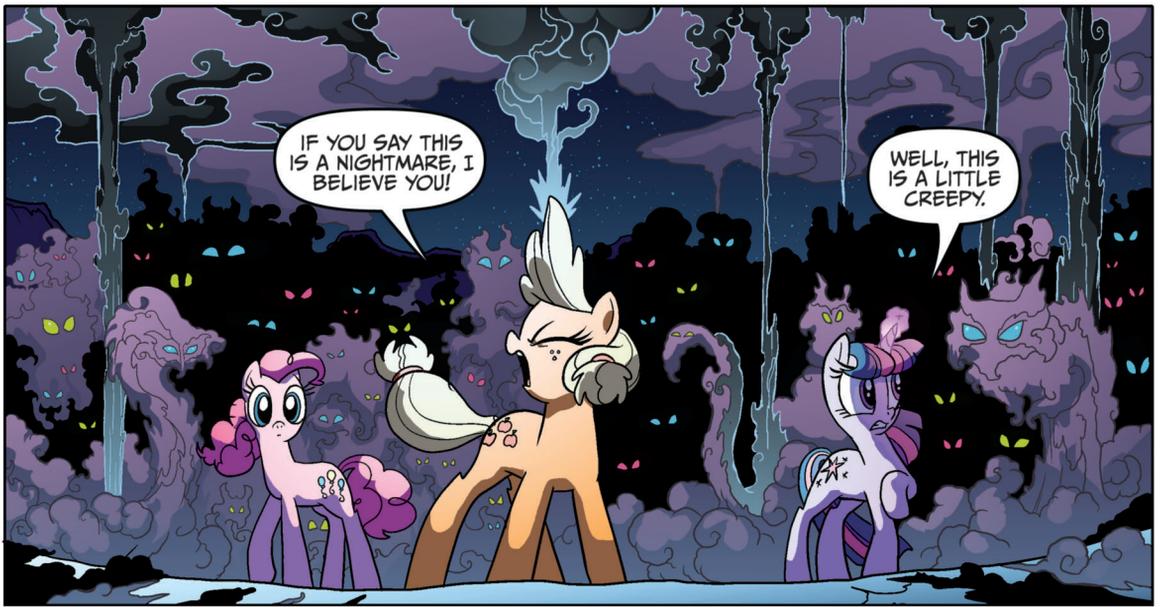


SO, DON'T BE SCARED!

STARTING RIGHT NOW!



YOU'RE RIGHT. I WOULD NEVER LET THIS HAPPEN!



IF YOU SAY THIS IS A NIGHTMARE, I BELIEVE YOU!

WELL, THIS IS A LITTLE CREEPY.



WAY CREEPY!



UM, A LITTLE CRITTER HELP HERE, FLUTTERSHY?

SORRY, I'M OUT OF BRAVERY FOR THE DAY...



YOU WANT SOME MORE? WELL, WE AREN'T AFRAID OF YOU!



AW, BUT SOME OF YOU ARE AFRAID. ISN'T THAT TRUE... LUNA? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE GOING BY NOW?

THAT IS MY NAME, MY PAST AS NIGHTMARE MOON IS LONG GONE.







A full-page illustration of Nightmare Rarity, a dark purple pony with a long, flowing mane and tail in shades of purple and white. She is holding a glowing, ornate orb in her right hoof. The orb is light blue and white with a central star-like symbol. The background is a dark, stormy sky with swirling purple and black clouds. In the lower corners, there are several pairs of glowing eyes in various colors (red, yellow, blue, pink) peering out from the darkness. The overall mood is ominous and dramatic.

NOW THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY
WILL BE DESTROYED FOREVER AND
PONYVILLE WILL BE DEFENSELESS!
MEET OUR NEW QUEEN—

—NIGHTMARE RARITY!

TO BE CONTINUED...