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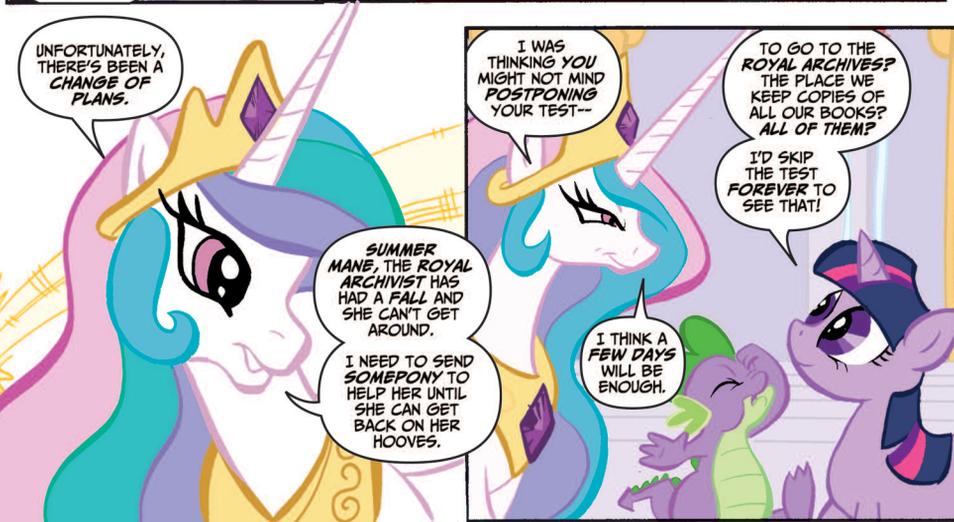
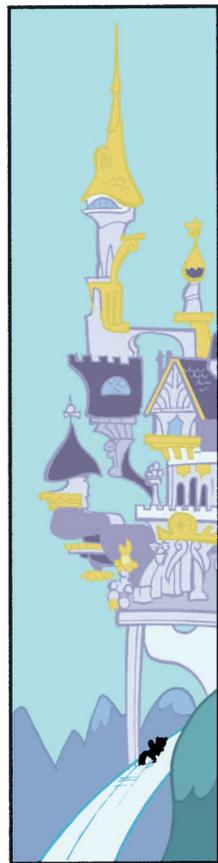
©ANTERLOT...

ARE YOU NERVOUS ABOUT YOUR TEST, TWILIGHT SPARKLE?

MY INTERMEDIATE LEVEL TWO MAGIC TEST? WHAT MAKES YOU SAY THAT, SPIKE?

WELL, THE MANE CHEWING IS ONE SIGN.











WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

TWILIGHT SPARKLE. I THINK--

I THINK YOU TALK TOO MUCH.

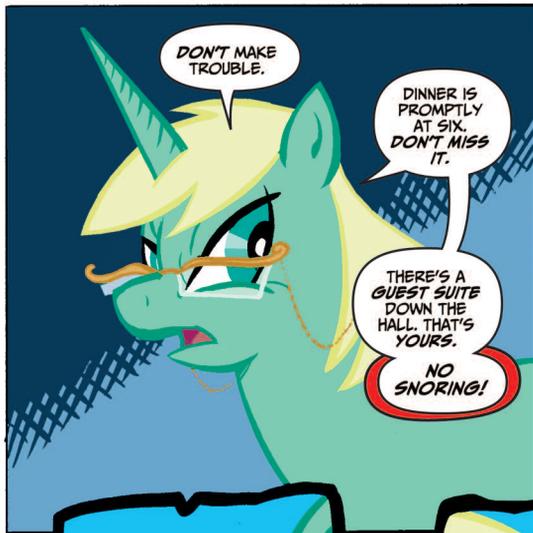


OKAY, TRY-RIGHT, IF YOU'RE GOING TO WORK HERE, YOU NEED TO KNOW THE RULES.

FIRST RULE: DON'T BREAK THE RULES.

DO WE--?

SECOND RULE: DON'T ASK QUESTIONS.



DON'T MAKE TROUBLE.

DINNER IS PROMPTLY AT SIX. DON'T MISS IT.

THERE'S A GUEST SUITE DOWN THE HALL. THAT'S YOURS.

**NO SNORING!**



AND, ABOVE ALL, NEVER, EVER ENTER MY PRIVATE OFFICE.



GOT IT.

THOSE ARE BOOKS.

DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE SEEN THEM BEFORE, TWYLEK. YOUNG PONIES THESE DAYS DON'T READ.

I KNOW VERY WELL WHAT BOOKS ARE. I LOVE TO READ!

PROBABLY JUST COMIC BOOKS, OR MAYBE THAT SILLY SERIES WITH THE VAMPIRE PONY--

FINE, YOU'VE READ THE TITLES OF BOOKS. WHO'S YOUR FAVORITE AUTHOR?

I READ EVERYTHING. I'VE READ DARING DO AND THE QUEST FOR THE SAPPHIRE STATUE, OF PONIES AND PREJUDICE, THE HORSEBACK OF NOTRE DAME--

THAT'S EASY! JADE SINGER! SHE WROTE CANTER IN THE SKY!

SHE'S A MYSTERY, TOO. SHE ONLY WROTE THAT ONE BOOK AND THEN DISAPPEARED.

BUT WHAT A BOOK! IT'S THE MOST AWESOME--

--BOOK--  
--EVER?

FINE. YOU CAN READ. CONGRATULATIONS.

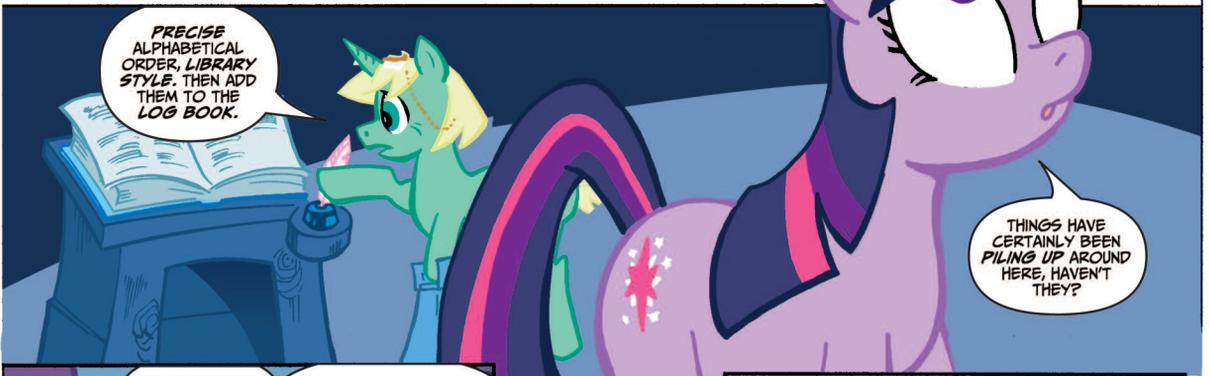
IT'S LATE. WE START TOMORROW AT SIX.





OH, THOSE ARE JUST THE ONES THAT FELL OFF THE MAIN STACK.

NICE CEILINGS.



PRECISE ALPHABETICAL ORDER, LIBRARY STYLE. THEN ADD THEM TO THE LOG BOOK.

THINGS HAVE CERTAINLY BEEN PILING UP AROUND HERE, HAVEN'T THEY?



I'LL BE IN MY OFFICE. ARE YOU CLEAR ON THIS PROJECT?

YES, MA'AM! LIBRARY STYLE! FIRST WORD, EXCLUDING "THE," "A," OR "AN," GOT IT!

GRUMBLE! PROBABLY DOTS HER I'S WITH HEARTS, TOO.



HOW TO TRAIN YOUR BABY DRAGON. HUH. MAYBE--



YIPES!



LET'S SEE HOW YOU DID, FLASHLIGHT.



MARE ABOUT YOU... NEIGH OF THE WARRIOR... MARBLE UNIVERSE...

WAIT? MARBLE UNIVERSE?



DOESN'T "M" COME BEFORE "W" IN YOUR ALPHABET, CHILD? MARBLE UNIVERSE?



YES, BUT IT'S NOT CALLED "MARBLE UNIVERSE." LOOK AGAIN.



"THE OFFICIAL HANDBOOK--"

HURM.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

THE OFFICIAL HANDBOOK OF THE  
**MARBLE UNIVERSE**  
YOUR GUIDE TO EVERYONE'S FAVORITE METAMORPHIC ROCK



DON'T LET IT HAPPEN AGAIN.

YES, MA'AM.





WATER...

HELLO? WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TODAY?

AND WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THERE?

**KNOCK!  
KNOCK!**

WHAT I'M DOING IS MY BUSINESS.

EYES MAY BE SHOT, HONEY, BUT THE EARS ARE SHARP AS EVER.

THESE BOOKS NEED TO HAVE DUST COVERS PUT ON THEM.

REALLY? BECAUSE THEY'RE ALREADY COVERED IN DUST.



SORRY, MA'AM, JUST A LITTLE JOKE.

VERY LITTLE.



♪ HMMM ♪  
HMMM.



♪ I KNOW IT'S CRAZY, BUT ♪  
♪ CALL ME MANE... ♪



ARE YOU HURT? I HEARD THIS TERRIBLE SOUND--

NO, MA'AM, I WAS JUST SINGING TO--

SINGING? IS THAT WHAT YOU KIDS CALL MUSIC?

YOU WANT MUSIC? LET'S GET SOME REAL MUSIC.



HERE'S ONE. THE BOOGIE WOOGIE PONY BOY OF STABLE C.



**OH BLAH  
DEE  
DOOBIE  
WOOBIE  
OOGIE  
BOOGIE  
HE'S THE  
BOY OF  
STABLE  
C  
OOH  
YEAH  
OOH YEAH**

THIS IS GOOD STUFF. ONCE YOU HEAR IT, YOU CAN'T GET IT OUT OF YOUR HEAD.



THAT'S WHAT I'M AFRAID OF.





--NO, SHE WROTE THAT ONE OUT LONGHAND.

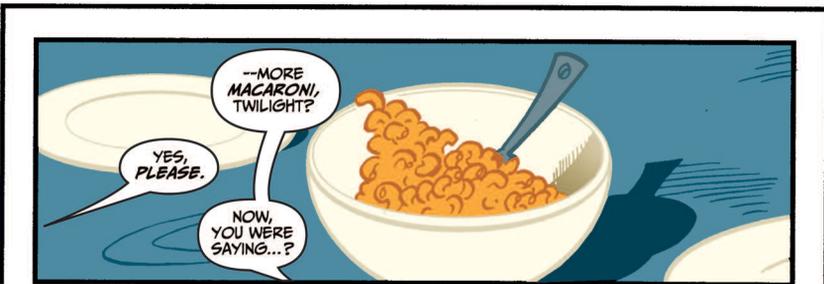
NO WAY! I THOUGHT EVERYONE USED A TYPEWRITER.



HMM. I THINK SHE USED AN OLD LIPPONZONER MODEL. I DON'T KNOW.











EARLY THE FOLLOWING MORNING...



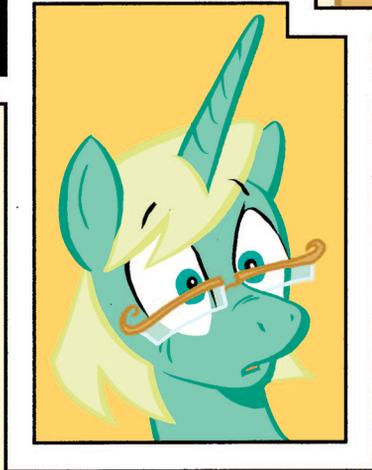
WHAT THE HAY?



YOU SHELVED ALL THE BOOKS?

I WAS SO UPSET I COULDN'T SLEEP. FIGURED I MIGHT AS WELL DO SOMETHING.







HOW-- HOW DID YOU--?

I TOLD YOU, JADE SINGER IS MY FAVORITE AUTHOR. I KNOW ALL ABOUT HER.



"I RECOGNIZE THE READING GLASSES THAT YOU WERE WEARING IN THE AUTHOR PHOTO ON THE BACK OF THE BOOK."

**AUTHOR JADE SINGER**  
**PRAISE FOR CANTER IN THE SKY**

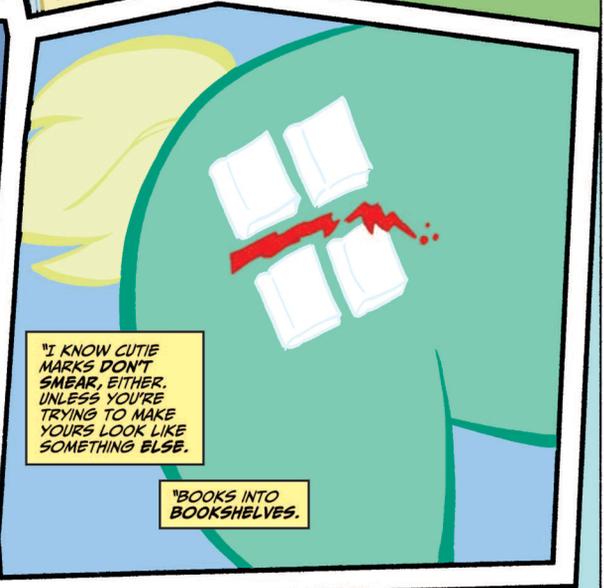
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"I KNOW THAT JADE SINGER IS A HUGE FAN OF SWING MUSIC."

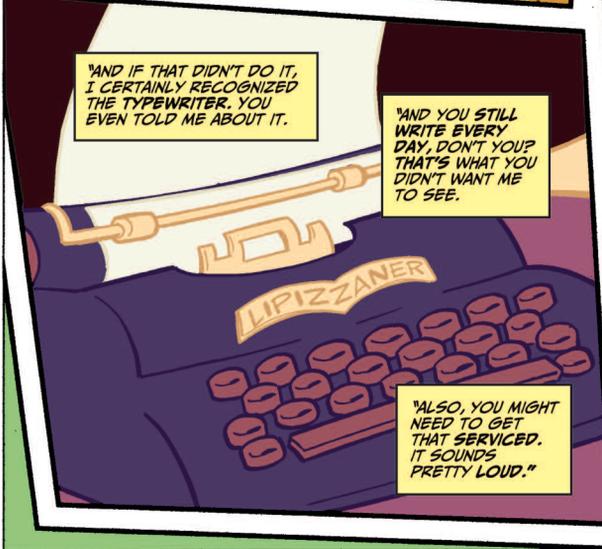
**CANTER IN THE SWING**  
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"HORRIBLE, HORRIBLE OLD TIME SWING MUSIC."



"I KNOW CUTIE MARKS DON'T SMEAR, EITHER, UNLESS YOU'RE TRYING TO MAKE YOURS LOOK LIKE SOMETHING ELSE."

"BOOKS INTO BOOKSHELVES."



"AND IF THAT DIDN'T DO IT, I CERTAINLY RECOGNIZED THE TYPEWRITER. YOU EVEN TOLD ME ABOUT IT."

"AND YOU STILL WRITE EVERY DAY. DON'T YOU? THAT'S WHAT YOU DIDN'T WANT ME TO SEE."

"ALSO, YOU MIGHT NEED TO GET THAT SERVICED. IT SOUNDS PRETTY LOUD."



SO WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY ANYTHING?

WELL, I FIGURED IF YOU WANTED TO BE HIDDEN, THERE HAD TO BE A REASON. I WAS JUST RESPECTING THAT.



YOU KNOW, I WASN'T A LOT OLDER THAN YOU WHEN MY BOOK WAS PUBLISHED. IT WAS A BIG HIT.

TOO BIG.



YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE BEING THAT GREAT OUT OF THE GATE.

AND HAVING TO LIVE UP TO THAT A SECOND TIME.



BUT I DO.

WHEN I TESTED FOR MAGIC SCHOOL, I MADE SUCH A SPLASH THAT PRINCESS CELESTIA TOOK ME AS HER PERSONAL STUDENT. I HAVE TO LIVE UP TO THAT EVERY DAY.



HOW DO YOU DO IT?

IT'S HARD, BUT THEN I WAS SENT TO PONYVILLE AND I MADE FRIENDS, AND THEN IT WASN'T SO BAD. THEY SUPPORT ME.

THEY CELEBRATE MY VICTORIES AND CATCH ME WHEN I FALL.



I NEVER HAD FRIENDS LIKE THAT.



WELL, YOU DO NOW.

# BARNES AND NO BELT

LITTLE WHILE LATER...

THE NEW BOOK FROM  
**JADE SINGER**

**TWILIGHT!**  
YOU GOT A LETTER!  
I THINK IT'S YOUR  
TEST RESULTS!

I HEAR IT'S  
BETTER THAN  
HER FIRST  
ONE--

**NOW ON SALE**  
**RECENT**  
**JADE SINGER**



IT IS! I PASSED!  
AND THERE'S A NOTE FROM THE PRINCESS, TOO.



*Twilight Sparkle,  
I ask you to write me  
letters about your lessons  
in friendship. Today I have  
to write YOU one.*

*You see, I was  
friends with Jade  
Singer years ago,  
but her fame and her  
fear turned her cold  
and distant. One of  
the last times I  
spoke with her was  
when I allowed her  
to "hide" as the  
archivist.*



*Thank you for taking care of her, for  
reaching her, for bringing her talent  
back into the world. But most of all--*



--thank you for  
bringing back  
my friend.



**End**

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