

# The Lessons of Friendship

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A great many moons ago, Princess Celestia did beseech unto her young student Twilight Sparkle that she travel to Ponyville to make new friends, and in so doing record her findings. A diligent and faithful pupil, Twilight periodically wrote of the trials and tribulations faced by both she and her newfound friends. Through these tests of honesty, kindness, laughter, generosity, and loyalty; their friendships, the veritable magic between them, was fostered. Each lesson learned was faithfully recorded and sent unto Princess Celestia, that these Friendship Letters be kept in her protection never be forgotten. As time went on, these letters eventually stopped, and the lessons were eventually recorded in a journal kept by Twilight and her friends. We've strived to transcribe them here, so that all may look upon these friendship lessons. Even now, we look upon them for guidance, to show us a way in which we may learn from our own mistakes and better ourselves. These are lessons everyone can learn from, regardless of race, nationality, sex, or creed. The Lessons of Friendship can bring us all closer together in joint understanding; we need only look to their guiding words.

Reference link to friendship lessons as a useful resource in compiling them:

[http://mlp.wikia.com/wiki/Friendship\\_lessons](http://mlp.wikia.com/wiki/Friendship_lessons)

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## Other Letters

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*Spike, take a note, please. "I, Princess Celestia, hereby decree that the unicorn, Twilight Sparkle, shall take on a new mission for Equestria. She must continue to study the "magic of friendship". She must report to me her findings, from her new home... in Ponyville.*  
— Princess Celestia

*From this day forth, I would like you all to report to me your findings on the magic of friendship, when, and only when, you happen to discover them.*  
— Princess Celestia

*I've just thought of a great idea! Why don't we keep a journal, just like the royal pony sisters? [...] That way, we can learn from each other! And maybe some day, other ponies will read it and learn something, too!*  
— Twilight Sparkle

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## Season 1

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### **The Ticket Master** (Twilight) Sharing Our Blessings

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
I've learned that one of the joys of friendship is sharing your blessings. But when there's not enough blessings to go around, having more than your friends can make you feel pretty awful. So, though I appreciate the invitation, I will be returning both tickets to the Grand Galloping Gala.*

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### **Applebuck Season** (Twilight) Giving and Accepting

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
My friend Applejack is the best friend a pony could ever have, and she's always there to help anypony. The only trouble is, when she needs help she finds it hard to accept it. So while friendship is about giving of ourselves to friends, it's also about accepting what our friends have to offer.*  
*Your faithful student,  
Twilight Sparkle*

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### **Griffon the Brush Off** (Twilight) Trusting in Our Friends

*Dearest Princess Celestia,  
Today I learned that it's hard to accept when somepony you like wants to spend time with somepony who's not so nice. Though it's impossible to control who your friends hang out with, it is possible to control your own behavior. Just continue to be a good friend. In the end, the difference between a false friend and one who's true will surely come to light.*  
*Your faithful student,  
Twilight Sparkle*

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### **Boast Busters** (Twilight) Acknowledging Our Talents with Modesty

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
I have learned a very valuable lesson about friendship: I was so afraid of being thought of as a showoff that I was hiding a part of who I am. My friends helped me realize that it's okay to be proud of your talents, and there are times when it's appropriate to show them off... Especially when you're standing up for your friends.*

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**Dragonshy (Twilight)**  
Having Faith in Our Friends

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
I am happy to report that the dragon has departed our fair country, and that it was my good friend Fluttershy who convinced him to go. This adventure has taught me to never lose faith in your friends. They can be an amazing source of strength, and can help you overcome even your greatest fears.*

*Always your faithful student,  
Twilight Sparkle*

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**Look Before You Sleep (Twilight)**  
Embracing Our Differences

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
It's hard to believe that two ponies that seem to have so little in common could ever get along. But I found out that if you embrace each other's differences, you just might be surprised to discover a way to be friends after all...*

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**Bridle Gossip (Twilight)**  
Being Nonjudgmental Toward Others

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
My friends and I all learned an important lesson this week: Never judge a book by its cover. Someone may look unusual, or funny, or scary. But you have to look past that and learn who they are inside. Real friends don't care what your "cover" is; it's the contents of a pony that count. And a good friend, like a good book, is something that will last forever.*

*Your faithful student,  
Twilight Sparkle*

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**Swarm of the Century (Twilight)**  
Being Mindful of Others' Views

*I've learned that sometimes the solution to your problems can come from where you least expect it. It's a good idea to stop and listen to your friends' opinions and perspectives... Even when they don't always seem to make sense...*

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**Winter Wrap Up (Twilight)**  
Having Patience and Diligence when Working Together

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
Winter Wrap Up was one of the most special things I've ever been a part of here in Ponyville. It helped me to learn that we all have hidden talents, and if we're patient and diligent we're sure to find them. And as always, with good friendship and teamwork, ponies can accomplish anything...*

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**Call of the Cutie** (Twilight)

## Loving Ourselves and Others Like Us

*Dearest Princess Celestia,  
I am happy to report that one of your youngest subjects has learned a valuable lesson about friendship. Sometimes, the thing you think will cause you to lose friends and feel left out can actually be the thing that helps you make your closest friends and realize how special you are...*

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**Fall Weather Friends** (Twilight)

## Fostering Personal Growth Through Friendly Rivalry

*It's important to remember that the friendship is always more important than the competition.*

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**Suited for Success** (Twilight)

## Accepting Others' Generosity with Humility and Grace

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
This week my very talented friend Rarity learned that if you try to please everypony, you oftentimes end up pleasing nopony, especially yourself. And I learned this: when somepony offers to do you a favor, like making you a beautiful dress, you shouldn't be overly critical of something generously given to you. In other words, you shouldn't look a gift horse in the mouth.*

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**Feeling Pinkie Keen** (Twilight)

## Believing in Our Friends

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
I am happy to report that I now realize there are wonderful things in this world you just can't explain, but that doesn't necessarily make them any less true. It just means you have to choose to believe in them. And sometimes it takes a friend to show you the way.  
Always your faithful student,  
Twilight Sparkle*

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**Sonic Rainboom** (Rarity)

## Lending Assistance and Support for Our Friends

*I certainly did. I learned how important it is to keep your hooves on the ground, and be there for your friends.*

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**Stare Master** (Fluttershy)

## Not Taking On More and We Can Handle

*I assumed that I'd be just as good with kids as I am with animals. Boy, was I wrong. I really learned the hard way not to bite off more than I can chew.*

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**The Show Stoppers** (Crusaders)  
Staying True to Ourselves

*Sweetie Belle: Well, maybe we were trying too hard.  
Scootaloo: And instead of forcing ourselves to do something that's not meant for us...  
Apple Bloom: We each should be embracing our true talents.*

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**A Dog and Pony Show** (Twilight)  
Being Respectful to Others Regardless of Circumstance

*Just because somepony is ladylike doesn't make her weak. In fact, by using her wits, a seemingly defenseless pony can be the one who outsmarts and outshines them all.*

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**Green Isn't Your Color** (Twilight)  
Staying True to Our Friends

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
Being a good friend means being able to keep a secret, but you should never be afraid to share your true feelings with a good friend.*

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**Over a Barrel** (Twilight)  
Understanding Others and Reaching Amicable Solutions

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
Friendship is a wondrous and powerful thing. Even the worst of enemies can become friends. You need understanding and compromise. You've got to share. You've got to care. And like the path cut through the orchard, there'll always be a way through.*

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**A Bird in the Hoof** (Fluttershy)  
Knowing When to Ask for Help and Not Making Assumptions

*I shouldn't have jumped to conclusions. Next time I'll ask before taking matters into my own hooves.*

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**The Cutie Mark Chronicles** (Twilight)  
Connecting with Others Can Forge Lasting Friendships

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
Today I learned something amazing! Everypony everywhere has a special magical connection with her friends, maybe even before she's met them. If you're feeling lonely and you're still searching for your true friends, just look up in the sky. Who knows, maybe you and your future best friends are all looking at the same rainbow.*

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**Owl's Well That Ends Well** (Twilight)  
Being Truthful and Sharing Love Among Friends

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
This is Spike, writing to you about my adventures. This week, I learned that being jealous, and telling lies, gets you nowhere in friendship. I also learned that there's plenty of love for every friend to share.*

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**Party of One** (Twilight)  
Knowing Friends will Come Through and Want Only the Best for Us

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
I am writing to you from the most delightful party. I'm not only having a great time with my friends, but also was given the opportunity to learn a valuable lesson about friendship. Always expect the best from your friends and never assume the worst. Rest assured that a good friend always has your best interests at heart.  
Your faithful student,  
Twilight Sparkle*

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**The Best Night Ever** (Twilight)  
Seeing the Good in the Bad With Our Friends

*Friends have a way of making even the worst of times into something pretty great.*

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## Season 2

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### The Return of Harmony Part 2 (Twilight)

Striving to Rise Above Our Hardships

*I'll tell you what we've learned Discord. We've learned that friendship isn't always easy. But there's no doubt it's worth fighting for.*

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### Lesson Zero (Applejack, Fluttershy, Rainbow Dash, Rarity, Pinkie Pie)

Acknowledging and Helping to Quell Others' Worries

*Applejack: Dear Princess Celestia, we're writin' to you today because today we all learned a little somethin' about friendship.*

*Fluttershy: We learned that you should take your friends' worries seriously.*

*Rainbow Dash: Even if you don't think that she has anything to worry about.*

*Rarity: And that you shouldn't let your worries turn a small problem...*

*Pinkie Pie: ...into an enormously huge entire-town-in-total-chaos*

*Princess-has-to-come-and-save-the-day problem!*

*Applejack: Signed, your loyal subjects.*

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### Luna Eclipsed (Twilight)

Sharing Our Gift of Friendship With Everyone We Can

*Dear Princess Celestia,*

*When you first sent me to Ponyville, I didn't know anything about friendship. I met somepony tonight who was having the same problem - your sister, Princess Luna! She taught me that one of the best things you can do with friendship is to give it to others, and help them find it themselves! And I'm happy to report that all of Ponyville has learned that even though somepony seems a little intimidating, even scary, when you offer them your friendship, you'll discover a whole new pony underneath. And even if my Star Swirl the Bearded costume didn't go over, this still turned out to be the best Nightmare Night ever!*

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### Sisterhooves Social (Sweetie Belle, Rarity)

Overcoming Sibling Difficulty Through Friendship and Compromise

*Sweetie Belle: Havin' a sister is just about the bestest thing in the world. But it sure isn't the easiest.*

*Rarity: I agree that being sisters is a wonderful thing, but it takes teamwork. Sometimes it's about compromising. Sometimes it's about accepting each others' differences. But mostly, it's about having fun together. Even if it means getting your hooves a little bit dirty.*

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**The Cutie Pox (Applebloom)****Being Honest With Ourselves and Earning Our Desires**

*Dear Princess Celestia,*  
*Waiting for what your heart desires can be really hard. So, you may try to take a shortcut. But this dishonesty never works, because you didn't earn what your heart desired. The only cure is being honest with yourself, and others. And that's something every heart desires.*

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**May the Best Pet Win! (Rainbow Dash)****Bonding With Others Through More Than Physical Traits**

*Dear Princess Celestia,*  
*I used to think the most important traits to look for in a pet, or any best friend, were all physical competitive abilities. But now I can see how short-sighted and shallow that was. Today I learned what the most important quality really is. A certain kind of spirit. A stick-to-it-ive-ness. A never give up, can-do attitude -- that's the mark of a real winner. And this tortoise has it.*

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**The Mysterious Mare Do Well (Rainbow Dash)****Being Respectful and Modest Toward Our Betters**

*Twilight Sparkle: What we're trying to say is, it's great to be really good at something, but it's important to act with grace and humility.*  
*Rainbow Dash: Ohhh. That makes loads more sense. Yeah. You're right. And I guess I should've also acted with grace and humility when others outshine me.*

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**Sweet and Elite (Rarity)****Being Proud of the Company We Keep**

*Rarity: I learned that no matter where you go in life, you should never forget that you are the product of your home and your friends. And that is something always to be proud of, no matter what.*

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**Secret of My Excess (Spike)****Giving More Than We Receive**

*Dear Princess Celestia,*  
*Today I learned a great lesson about friendship. Well, you might think that it would feel good to get lots and lots of stuff, but it doesn't feel nearly as good as giving something special to somepony you really care about. But I learned that it truly is better to give than to receive, and that kindness and generosity are what lead to true friendship. And that's more valuable than anything in the world. Well... almost anything.*



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## **Hearth's Warming Eve (Applejack)**

### Understanding Our Differences and Relinquishing Hatred

*Applejack (as Smart Cookie): Then... this is our fault. We three tribes... we brought this blizzard to our home by fightin' and not trustin' each other. Now it's destroyin' this land too.*

*Twilight Sparkle (as Clover the Clever): And now our bodies will become as cold as our hearts... all because we were foolish enough to hate.*

*Applejack (as Smart Cookie): No matter what our differences, we're all ponies.*

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## **Family Appreciation Day (Applebloom)**

### Respecting Our Elders and Appreciating Family

*Apple Bloom: My Granny Smith is super special! I just forgot that for a little while.*

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## **Baby Cakes (Pinkie Pie)**

### Handling Responsibility Within Our Own Limits

*Dear Princess Celestia,*

*I've always had fun playing with little kids and I thought babysitting them is just more playtime, right? Wrong! Being a caregiver is way more responsibility than just being a playmate, and today I learned that sometimes, our desire for responsibility can outrun our actual ability to handle it.*

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## **The Last Roundup (Applejack)**

### Leaning on Our Friends in the Face of Adversity

*Dear Princess Celestia,*

*It's a tad easier to be proud when you come in first than it is when you finish further back. But there's no reason to hide when you don't do as well as you'd hoped. You can't run away from your problems. Better to run to your friends and family.*

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## **The Super Speedy Cider Squeezy 6000 (Applejack)**

### Rushing Often Sacrifices Quality

*Dear Princess Celestia,*

*I wanted to share my thoughts with you. [clears throat] I didn't learn anything! Ha! I was right all along! If you take your time to do things the right way, your work will speak for itself. Sure, I could tell you I learned somethin' about how my friends are always there to help me, and I can count on them no matter what, but truth is, I knew that already, too.*

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## **Read It and Weep (Rainbow Dash)**

### Respecting Others' Choice of Hobbies

*Twilight Sparkle: Reading is something everypony can enjoy, if they just give it a try.*

*Rainbow Dash: Yeah, I get it. I shouldn't knock something until I've tried it.*

*Twilight Sparkle: That's a great lesson, and it would make a great letter to the Princess.*

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## **Hearts and Hooves Day** (Applebloom, Scootaloo, Sweetie Belle)

### Knowing When to Leave Others Be and Not Be Overbearing

*Cheerilee: We appreciate that you care about us and want us to be happy, but—*

*Apple Bloom: But no matter how good our intentions might have been, we shoulda never meddled in your relationship.*

*Scootaloo: No pony can force two ponies to be together.*

*Sweetie Belle: It's up to everypony to choose that very special somepony for themselves.*

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## **A Friend in Deed** (Pinkie Pie)

### Understanding How Best to Make Your Friend Happy

*Dear Princess Celestia,*

*There are many different kinds of friends, and many ways to express friendship. Some friends like to run and laugh and play together. But others just like to be left alone, and that's fine too. But the best thing about friendship is being able to make your friends smile.*

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## **Putting Your Hoof Down** (Fluttershy)

### Being Assertive Without Being Unkind

*Dear Princess Celestia,*

*Sometimes it can be hard for a shy pony like me to stand up for myself. When I first tried it, I didn't like the pony I became, but I learned that standing up for yourself isn't the same as changing who you are. Now I know how to put my hoof down without being unpleasant or mean.*

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## **It's About Time** (Twilight)

### Taking the Present in Stride and Not Stressing Too Much Over the Future

*Twilight Sparkle: And it's all because I couldn't stop worrying and let the future handle itself! Well, not any more. From now on, I'm gonna solve problems as they come, and stop worrying about every little thing!*

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## **Dragon Quest** (Spike)

### Being Proud of Your Friends and Considering them Family

*Dear Princess Celestia,*

*Seeing the Great Dragon Migration made me wonder what it meant to be a dragon, but now I realize that who I am is not the same as what I am. I may have been born a dragon, but Equestria and my pony friends had taught me how to be kind, loyal, and true. I'm proud to call Ponyville my home, and to have my pony friends as my family.*

*Yours truly,  
Spike*

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**Hurricane Fluttershy (Fluttershy)**  
Believing In Ourselves

*Dear Princess Celestia,*  
*Sometimes you can feel like what you have to offer is too little to make a difference, but today, I learned that everypony's contributions is important, no matter how small. If you just keep your head high, do your best and believe in yourself, anything can happen.*

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**Ponyville Confidential (Applebloom, Scootaloo, Sweetie Belle)**  
Respecting the Privacy of Others

*Sweetie Belle: To the citizens of Ponyville, for a while now, you've been reading this column to get the latest dirt and the hottest buzz. But this will be my final piece. We want to apologize for the pain and embarrassment we've caused.*  
*Apple Bloom: Y'see, I'm actually three little fillies, Sweetie Belle, Apple Bloom, and Scootaloo.*  
*Scootaloo: As the popularity of our column grew, we got swept up in the hype. We knew that what we were doing didn't feel quite right, but we ignored the guilt because everypony seemed to want to read what we were writing.*  
*Sweetie Belle: From now on, we promise to respect everypony else's privacy, and we won't engage in hurtful gossip any more.*  
*Apple Bloom: All we can do is ask for your forgiveness, Ponyville. Signing off for the very last time, XOXO, Gabby Gums.*

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**MMMystery on the Friendship Express (Pinkie Pie)**  
Understanding the Whole Story Before Passing Judgment

*Dear Princess Celestia,*  
*Today I learned it's not good to jump to conclusions. You have to find out all the facts before saying somepony did something. If you don't, you could end up blaming somepony for something they never did. This could hurt their feelings. And it could make you feel really foolish. So from now on, I will make sure to always get all the facts.*

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**A Canterlot Wedding - Part 2 (Princess Celestia)**  
Persisting Where Others Might Give Up

*Princess Celestia: This is your victory as much as theirs. You persisted in the face of doubt, and your actions led to your being able to bring the real Princess Cadance back to us. Learning to trust your instincts is a valuable lesson to learn.*

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## Season 3

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### The Crystal Empire - Part 2 (Princess Celestia)

*Princess Celestia: Twilight, as I understand it, Spike brought Princess Cadance the Crystal Heart because you weren't sure how quickly you could find a way to escape the tower. You weren't willing to risk the future of the citizens of the Crystal Empire in an effort to guarantee your own. Far better that I have a student who understands the meaning of self-sacrifice than one who only looks out for her own best interests.*

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### Too Many Pinkie Pies (Pinkie Pie)

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
It's great to have fun, but it's even greater to have great friends. And having lots of friends means that you sometimes have to make choices as to who you'll spend your time with. But that's okay, because good friends will always give you lots of opportunities to have fun. So even if you're missing out, it's never for long.  
Respectfully yours,  
Pinkie Pie*

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### One Bad Apple (Apple Bloom, Scootaloo, Sweetie Belle)

*Apple Bloom: Y'see Babs, we were tryin' to get you back for bein' a big bully...  
Scootaloo: Then Applejack told us about how you were being bullied back in Manehattan.  
Sweetie Belle: And we figured out you were just doing it to avoid getting picked on in Ponyville. But, by then... we were the ones being bullies. And... Oh, why does life have to be so ironic?!  
Apple Bloom: Guess what we're trying to say is...  
Cutie Mark Crusaders: We're sorry.  
Babs Seed: [blows] I'm sorry too.  
Applejack: [sighs] Y'know, this all could've been avoided if y'all just came to me in the very beginning. Sweetie Belle: That's what I kept on saying!*

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### Magic Duel (Twilight Sparkle)

*Twilight Sparkle: My magic alone wasn't powerful enough to take on the Alicorn Amulet head to head, so I needed to use a different kind of magic – the magic of friendship.*

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### Sleepless in Ponyville (Princess Luna, Scootaloo)

*Princess Luna: Hmmm... Is the headless horse really what frightens you the most?  
Scootaloo: Mm-mm. I'm afraid Rainbow Dash will find out I'm not as tough as she thinks I am.  
Princess Luna: Everypony has fears, Scootaloo. Everypony must face them in their own way. But they must be faced, or the nightmares will continue. [...] Face your fears!*

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## Wonderbolts Academy (Rainbow Dash)

*Rainbow Dash: Yeah, well that "effective tactic" nearly took out my friends! No disrespect ma'am, but there's a big difference between pushing yourself as hard as you can, and just being reckless. And if being reckless is what gets rewarded around here, if that's what it means to be a Wonderbolt, then I don't want any part of it.*

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## Apple Family Reunion (Applejack)

*Dear Princess Celestia,  
Today I learned a great lesson about family, which, if you think about it, is the first group of friends you ever met. Turns out that when you're with folks you care about, you don't have to do much to make that time memorable. Even the simplest of activities can take on a whole lotta meanin'! And you'll find that you'll remember the who long after you've forgotten the what.  
Your humble subject,  
Applejack*

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## Spike at Your Service (Applejack, Spike)

*Applejack: I know this "code" thing's important to you, but if something like this comes up in the future, think maybe we could go back to my code—say, "That's what friends do"—and leave it at that? I promise I won't think of you as any less noble.*

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## Keep Calm and Flutter On (Discord, Twilight Sparkle, Fluttershy)

*Discord: I like it better my way, but I guess when you're friends you can't always have things exactly your way all the time, eh?  
Twilight Sparkle: You were right when you said Fluttershy would be the one to find the way to reform Discord. By treating Discord as a friend, she got him to realize that friendship was actually important to him. And something that, once he had, he didn't want to lose.  
Fluttershy: Go on. Say it...  
[groans] Alright. Friendship is magic.*

*Discord:*

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## Just for Sidekicks (Spike)

*Rainbow Dash: Huh, bumner Spike had to miss out on all this. He woulda' had fun here.  
Twilight Sparkle: I'm sure he's having a great time watching all the critters back at home.  
Applejack: Think he's still got a handle on things?  
Twilight Sparkle: If he's staying calm and collected, I bet he's doing a terrific job as a leader.  
Spike: Go ahead, Bunny. Do your worst. I deserve it. I ignored you, tried to pawn you off on someone else, I didn't take these silly things out, or fluff them like I was supposed to. I wasn't really thinking of you at all. Any of you. I just wanted the jewels. I hope you'll all forgive me someday.*

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**Games Ponies Play** (Rainbow Dash)

*Rainbow Dash: You know, it feels good to help others get something they always wanted but never had. Almost as good as getting it yourself. Almost.*

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**Magical Mystery Cure** (Twilight Sparkle)

*Twilight Sparkle: A little while ago, my teacher and mentor Princess Celestia sent me to live in Ponyville. She sent me to study friendship, which is something I didn't really care much about. But now, on a day like today, I can honestly say I wouldn't be standing here if it weren't for the friendships I've made with all of you. Each one of you taught me something about friendship, and for that, I will always be grateful. Today, I consider myself the luckiest pony in Equestria. Thank you, friends. Thank you, everypony!*

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## Season 4

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### Princess Twilight Sparkle - Part 2 (Twilight Sparkle)

*Twilight Sparkle: You're right about one thing, Applejack. The Elements of Harmony did bring us together. But it isn't the Elements that will keep us connected. It's our friendship. And it's more important and more powerful than any magic. My new role in Equestria may mean I have to take on new responsibilities, and our friendships may be tested, but it will never, ever be broken.*

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### Castle Mane-ia (Twilight Sparkle, Rarity, Rainbow Dash)

*Twilight Sparkle: Well, it's good to know that whenever your imagination is getting away from you, a good friend can help you rein it in. And even though I didn't find anything out about the mysterious chest, I'm glad I was here to help all of you.*

*Rarity: You certainly did that, Twilight.*

*Rainbow Dash: Yeah! Why weren't you scared?*

*Twilight Sparkle: Reading Celestia's diary made it hard to be afraid, because I knew what it was like when she and Luna lived here. Knowing something about the past made it easier to deal with my problems in the present, even the scary ones.*

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### Daring Don't (Rainbow Dash)

*Just had the coolest adventure with the coolest pony ever. Came this close to blowing it because I got so wrapped up in how awesome she was, I almost forgot about how awesome I was. Good thing I didn't, 'cause it gave me a chance to show her how important it is to put your trust in somepony else.*

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### Flight to the Finish (Scootaloo, Rainbow Dash)

*Scootaloo: But flying is what Pegasus ponies are supposed to do! You flew when you carried the flag in the games!*

*Rainbow Dash: But that was me! You're you! And it just doesn't matter if you can fly or not. Your routine was amazing because it represented exactly what makes Ponyville special.*

*Scootaloo: But Rainbow Dash... what if... what if my wings never grow? What if I never fly?*

*Rainbow Dash: Listen, Scootaloo. Maybe you'll fly someday, or maybe you won't. You're all kinds of awesome anyway.*

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### Power Ponies (Twilight Sparkle, Spike)

*Twilight Sparkle: We wouldn't have made it without you, Spike. And I hope you realize that just because we don't always need your help, it doesn't mean that we don't think you're helpful.*

*Spike: And that you don't have to have superpowers to be a super friend.*

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### **Bats! (Applejack, Fluttershy)**

*Applejack: Be sure to put in there that I came to see that my short-term solution was a little short-sighted.*

*Fluttershy: And that you shouldn't let anypony pressure you into doing something you don't think is right. Sometimes you have to tell even your closest friends "no".*

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### **Rarity Takes Manehattan (Rarity)**

*Manehattan was simply grand. It was in this magnificent metropolis that I learned that while there are ponies who will take advantage of your generosity, you should never, ever let that cause you to abandon your generous spirit. Nothing feels worse than taking advantage of the giving nature of your friends.*

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### **Pinkie Apple Pie (Applejack, Applebloom)**

*Applejack: Think I'll write about how bein' a good family isn't about bein' perfect as much as it is about bein' able to get through the rough patches together. About bein' able to forgive each other for mistakes.*

*Apple Bloom: Don't forget to mention how really good friends can also feel like your family.*

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### **Rainbow Falls (Rainbow Dash)**

*Oh, I can't deny it. I love to win! But if I ever have to choose between winning and my friends, I'm always gonna choose my friends. 'Cause as much as I love winning, I love them waaaaay more.*

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### **Three's A Crowd (Twilight, Spike)**

*I think it's pretty clear that my visit with Cadance didn't go quite the way I expected. But in the end, I realized that when you're with a good friend, even the most chaotic day can end up being a great experience.*

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### **Pinkie Pride (Rainbow Dash, Pinkie Pie)**

*Rainbow Dash: Pinkie, wait! I'm sorry I got all swept away by Cheese Sandwich.*

*Pinkie Pie: No. I'm sorry I let my pride get in the way of you having the best birth-iversary ever. Cheese Sandwich really is a super duper party planner, and he'll be a terrific headliner. I should've been a big enough pony to admit that and let you have your day.*

*Rainbow Dash: But don't you get it? You're both super duper party ponies. Sure, Cheese Sandwich is a great guest party pony, but you're Ponyville's permanent party pony. No pony could ever take your place, and we could never have a party without you.*



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### **Simple Ways (Rarity)**

*Organizing the Ponyville Days Celebration was one of the hardest things I've ever done. But I learned an important lesson: real friends will like you for who you are, and changing yourself to impress them is no way to make new ones. And when you're as fabulous as I am, it's practically a crime.*

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### **Filli Vanilli (Fluttershy)**

*Sometimes, being afraid can stop you from doing something that you love. But hiding behind these fears means you're only hiding from your true self. It's much better to face those fears so you can shine and be the best pony you can possibly be.*

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### **Twilight Time (Sweetie Belle)**

*I guess Twilight must not be so super upset anymore, 'cause she's letting us do a diary entry like our sisters do. Boy, did we get our priorities mixed up. We started acting special because we were friends with someone special. We almost forgot the real reason she's special: because she's our friend. But she forgave us, and, like magic, things are good as new. That's the kind of magic I really wanna get good at... now that I'm getting so good at the other kind. We're just glad Twilight Time is back to normal... Well, almost back to normal.*

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### **It Ain't Easy Being Breezies (Fluttershy)**

*My experiences with the Breezies have helped me to see that kindness can take many forms. And, sometimes, being too kind can actually keep a friend from doing what they need to do. Pushing them away may seem cruel, but it's sometimes the kindest thing you can do.*

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### **Somepony to Watch Over Me (Applejack, Applebloom)**

*Applejack: I guess I did get a little carried away watchin' over you, and if you hadn't snuck out like you did, maybe I wouldn't have figured that out.  
Apple Bloom: Yes! Now that is the kind of looking out for me I can definitely appreciate.*

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### **Maud Pie (Pinkie Pie, Twilight Sparkle)**

*Pinkie Pie: I'm sorry I put so much pressure on everypony to bond. I only wanted my friends to get to know my amazing older sister.  
Twilight Sparkle: Pinkie Pie's happiness means as much to us as it does to you. And we're sorry we couldn't see it sooner. The thing that makes us click and makes a special bond between us is how much we all love Pinkie Pie.*

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### **For Whom the Sweetie Belle Toils (Sweetie Belle, Rarity)**

*Sweetie Belle: I'm sorry I got jealous about those dresses. I know now that you were only trying to help.  
Rarity: Oh, Sweetie, I forgive you!*

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### **Leap of Faith (Applejack)**

*Bein' honest sure gets hard when it seems like the truth might hurt somepony you care about. But I think believin' a lie can end up hurtin' them even more. Maybe some ponies don't care about that – but I sure ain't one of them.*

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### **Testing Testing 1, 2, 3 (Twilight Sparkle)**

*Rainbow Dash finally learned the history of the Wonderbolts. But she's not the only pony that needed a lesson. I needed to learn something just as important. One way of learning isn't better than another. After all, every pony is unique and individual.*

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### **Trade Ya! (Twilight Sparkle, Rainbow Dash)**

*Twilight Sparkle: None of those ponies had anything valuable enough to trade for my books. Not because these books belong to a princess, but because they helped make me who I am. Just like you said. This was the one I was so absorbed in the day Spike decided he owed Applejack a life debt. And this one reminds me of the day I got it – which was the day I met you. I may not ever need to read these again, but that doesn't mean they don't have value.*  
*Rainbow Dash: I did want that book, a lot. I said I wanted it more than anything in all of Equestria. But there's no thing that's worth as much to me as a friend. I might have forgotten that for a little bit, but it's true.*

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### **Inspiration Manifestation (Spike)**

*Today I learned how important it is to be honest with your friends when they're doing something that you don't think is right. A true friend knows that you're speaking up because you care about them.*

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### **Equestria Games (Spike)**

*You know, it's kinda weird. No matter how many times others tell you you're great, all the praise in the world means nothing if you don't feel it inside. Sometimes, to feel good about yourself, you gotta let go of the past. That way, when the time comes to let your greatness fly, you'll be able to light up the whole sky.*

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## Twilight's Kingdom - Part 2 (Discord, Princess Celestia, Twilight Sparkle)

*Discord: Tirek tricked me into believing that he could offer me something more valuable than friendship. But there is nothing worth more. I see that now. He lied when he said that this medallion was given as a sign of gratitude and loyalty. But when I say that it is a sign of our true friendship, I am telling the truth.*

*Princess Celestia: You've been wondering what you are meant to do as a princess. Do you know now?*

*Twilight Sparkle: As princess, I believe I have the power to spread the magic of friendship across Equestria! That is the role I am meant to have in our world! The role I choose to have! But I didn't defeat Tirek on my own, it took all of us to unlock the chest!*

*Princess Celestia: Then it is unlikely you are meant to take on this task alone. You are now Twilight Sparkle, the Princess of Friendship! But what is the Princess of Friendship without her friends?*

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