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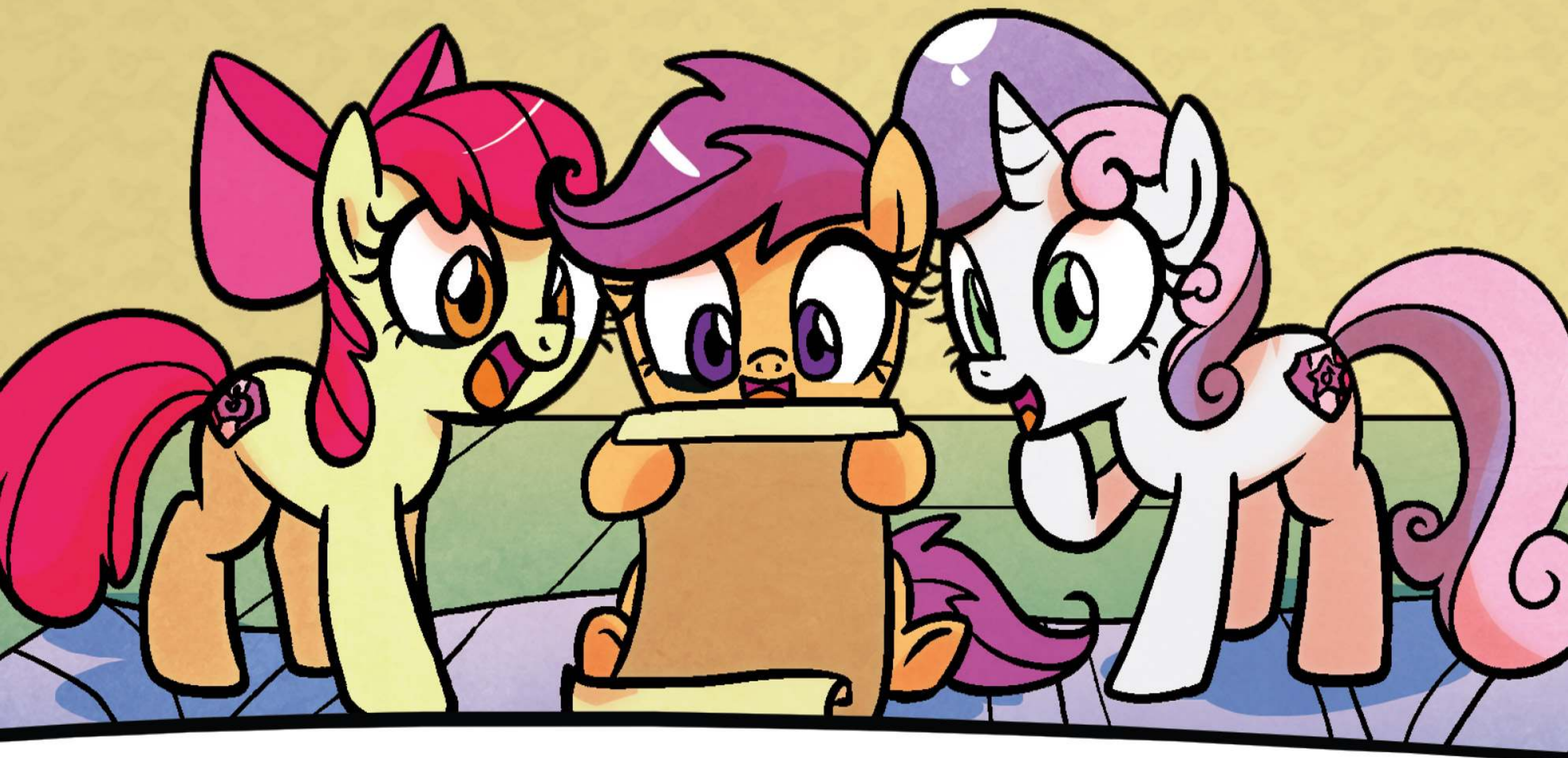
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GRAHAM CRACKERS?

CHECK!



GUITARS?

CHECK!



THAT'S EVERYTHING ON THE LIST.

SURE WAS NICE OF EVERYPONY IN TOWN TO CHIP IN SUPPLIES FOR THE FIRST EVER—



—OVERNIGHT CUTIE MARK CAMPOUT!



HEY, WHY ARE THERE BUNGEE CORDS?

I THOUGHT SOMEPONIES MIGHT WANT TO TRY AND GET THEIR CUTIE MARKS IN BUNGEE JUMPING.

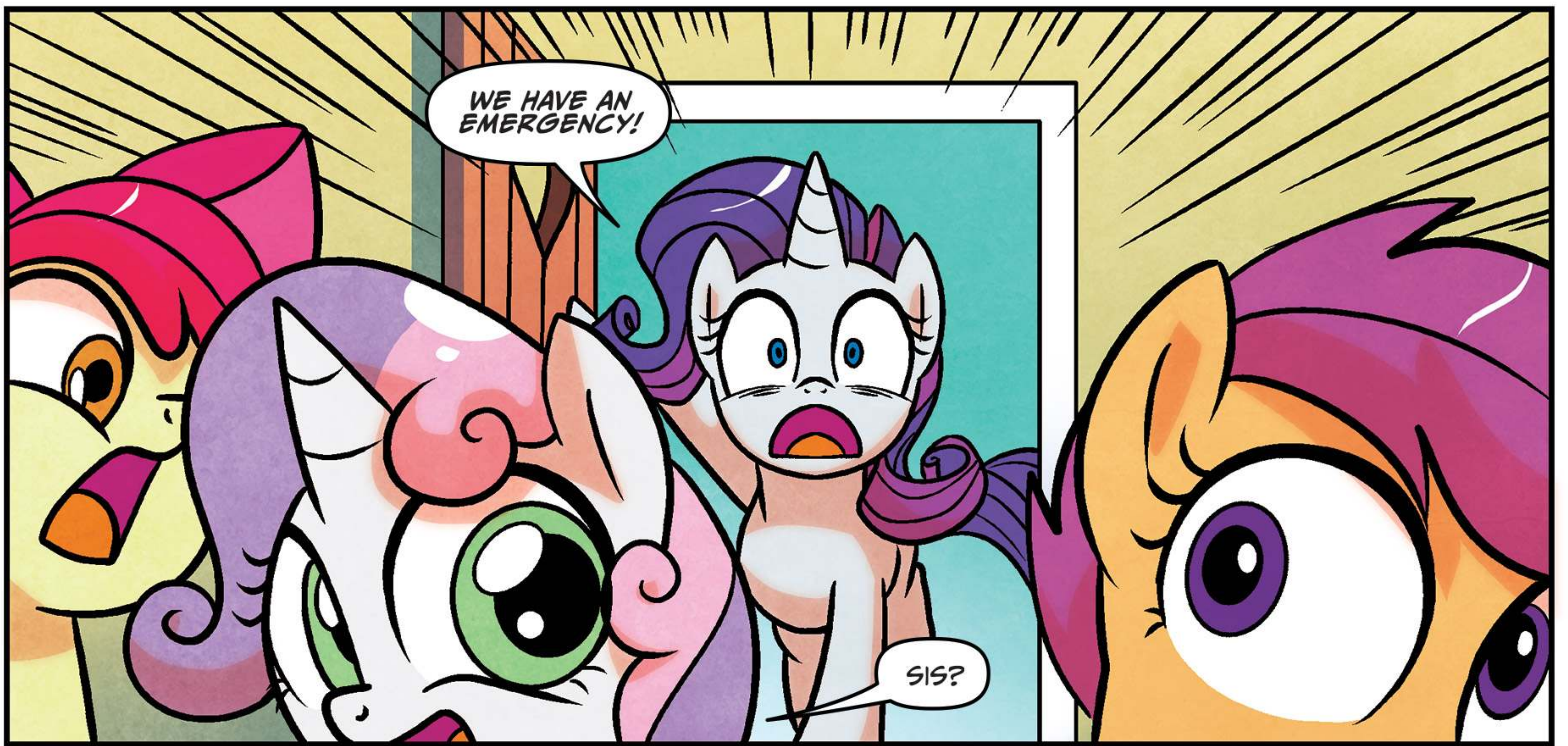
SOUNDS DANGEROUS.

AND IT NEVER WORKED OUT WELL FOR US.

WE SHOULD PROBABLY SKIP IT.

BUT—

SWEETIE BELLE!





FANCY PANTS IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PONIES IN CANTERLOT!

IF YOU'RE ABLE TO HELP HIS NIECE, IT COULD TRIPLE YOUR BUSINESS!



TRIPLE OUR BUSINESS?

GULP!

I GUESS WE ARE RUNNING OUT OF PONIES IN PONYVILLE TO HELP.

ISN'T IT WONDERFUL?

NOW, BE SURE TO GIVE HIS NIECE EXTRA SPECIAL TREATMENT WHEN SHE ARRIVES.



NOW, SIS, WE GIVE ALL OUR CLIENTS THE SAME GREAT LEVEL OF SERVICE.

AS DO I!

NOW I MUST RUN AND SEE IF THE MAYOR IS AVAILABLE TO MEET FANCY PANTS.



WOW, A PONY COMING ALL THE WAY FROM CANTERLOT!

LET'S NOT GET TOO DISTRACTED, CRUSADERS!

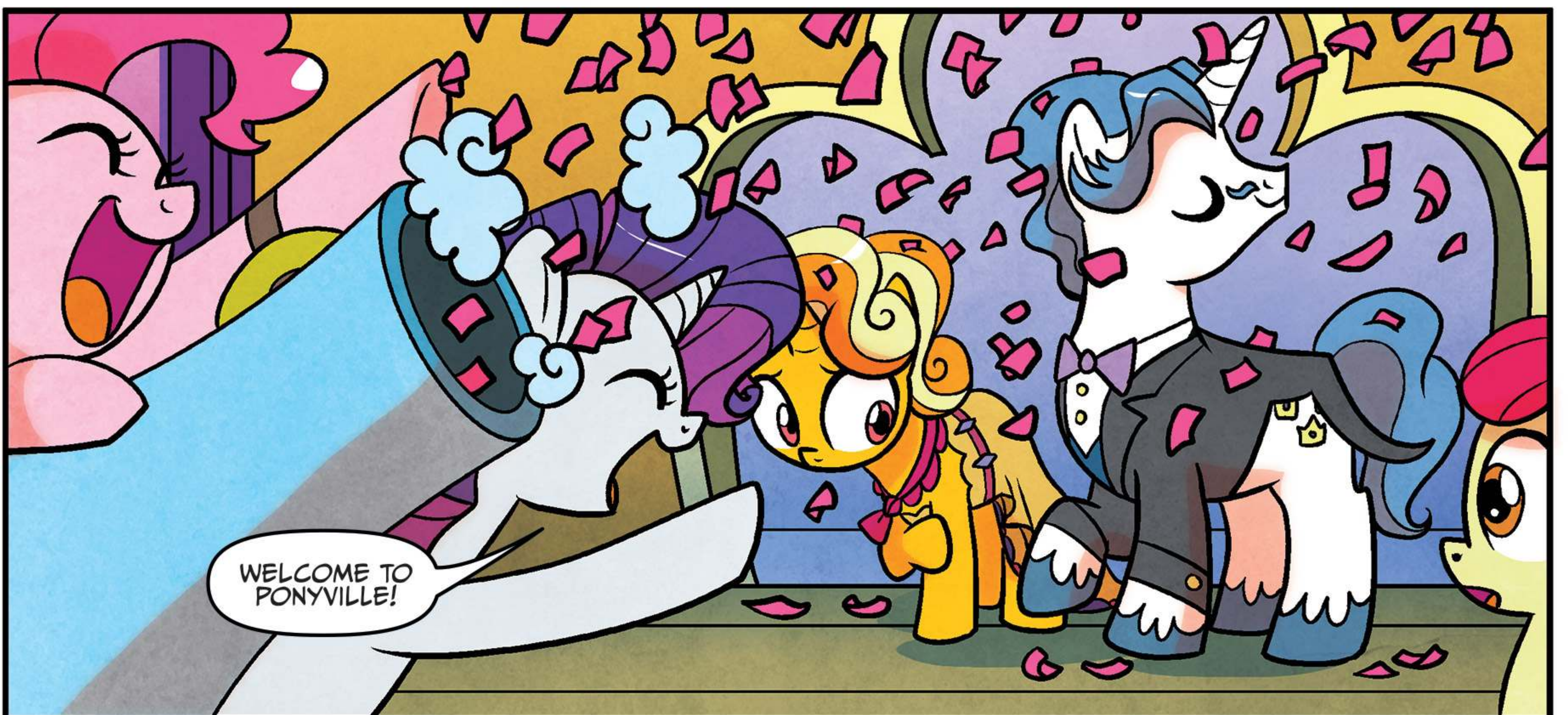
WHERE WERE WE?

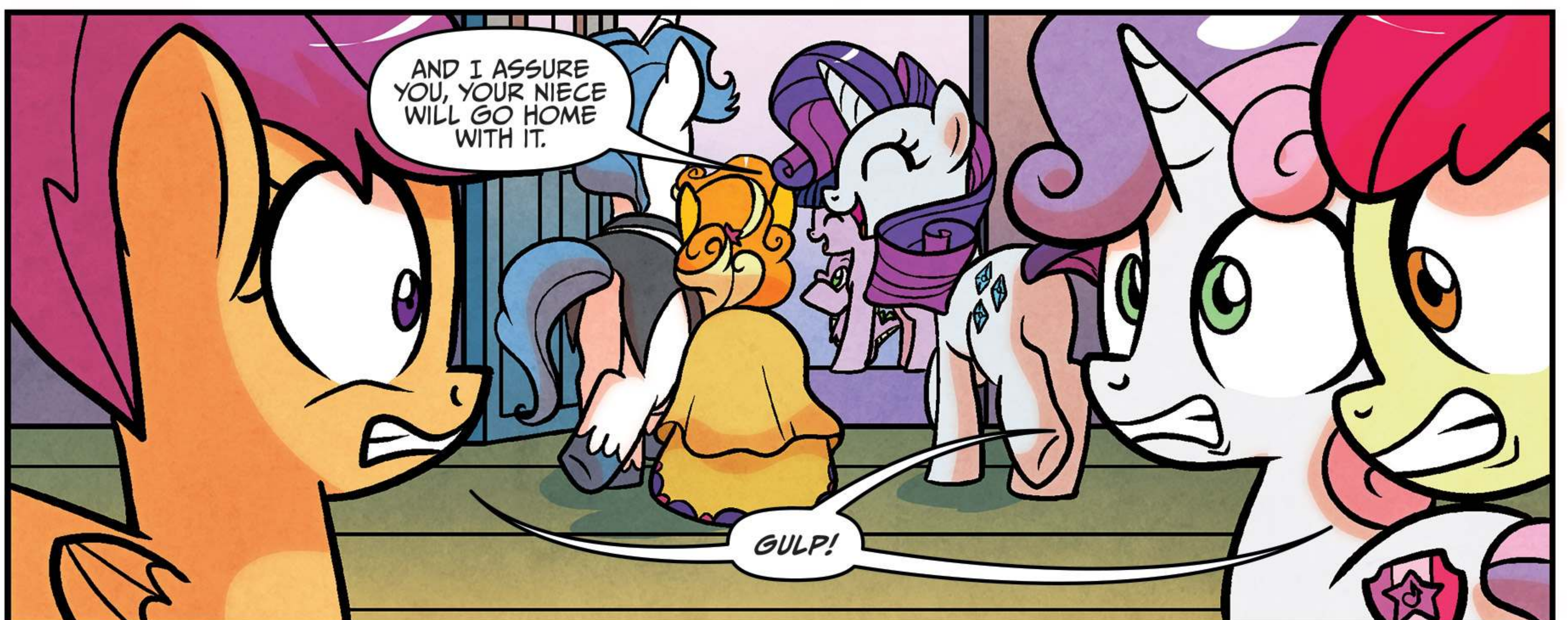
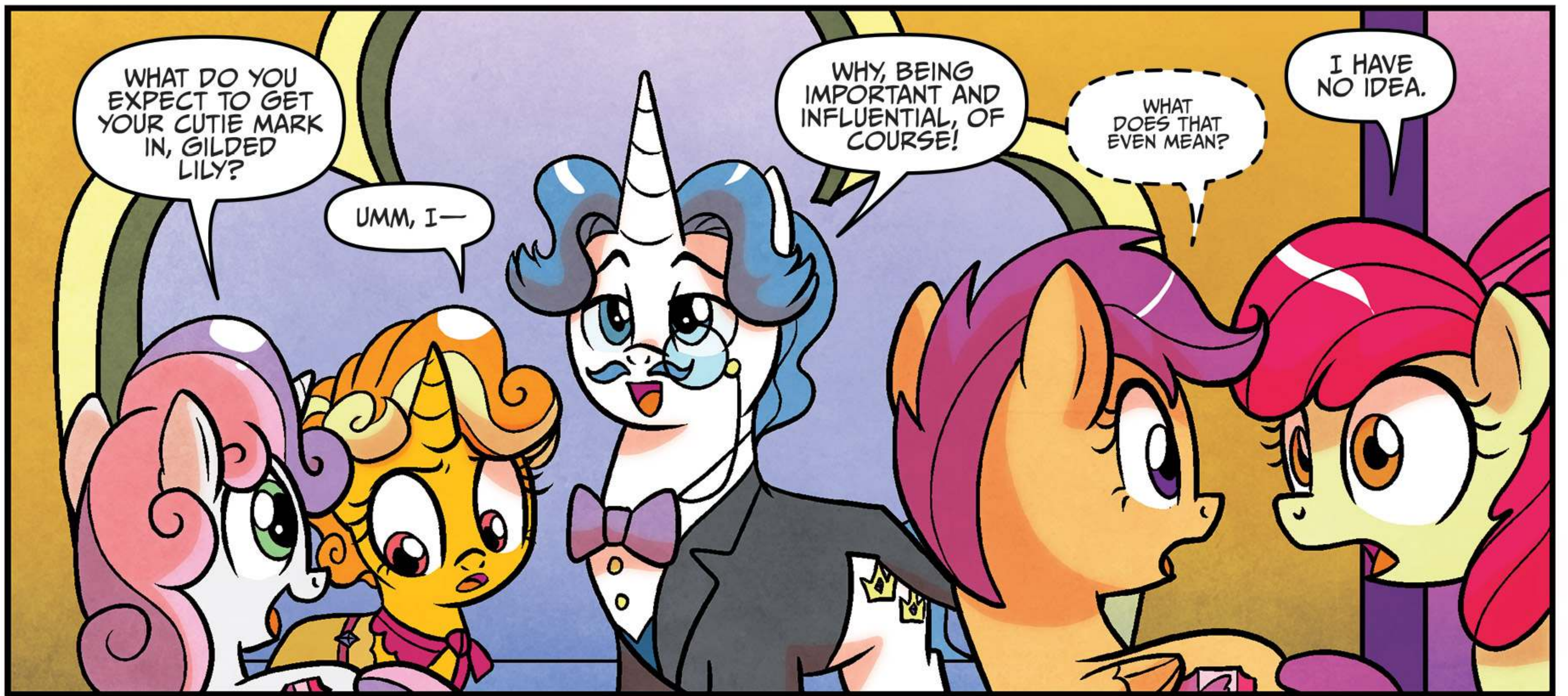
BUNGEE CORDS!

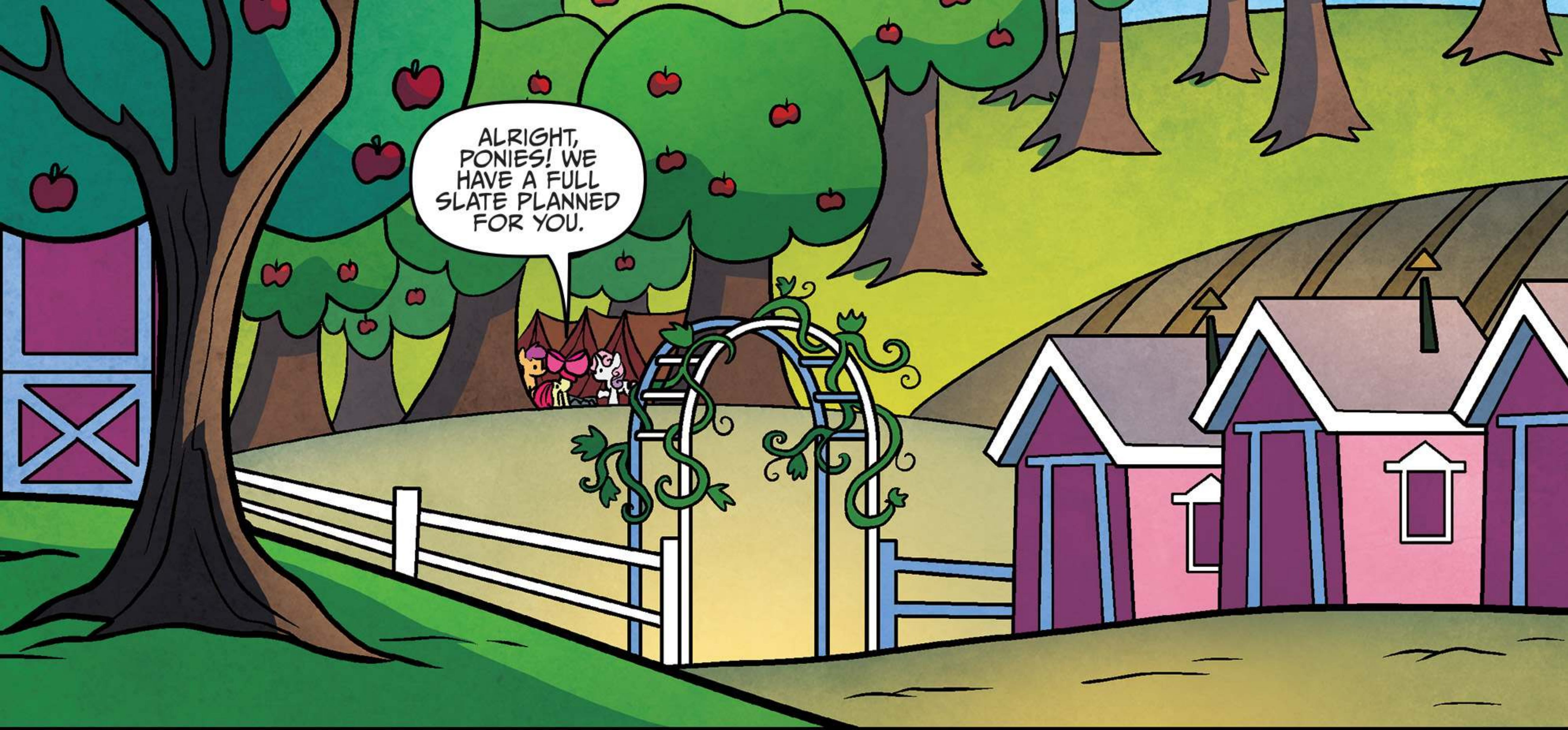


LEAVING THE BUNGEE CORDS BEHIND?

RIGHT!







ALRIGHT, PONIES! WE HAVE A FULL SLATE PLANNED FOR YOU.



GEE, GILDED LILY, YOU HAVE ALL OF THAT LUGGAGE FOR JUST ONE NIGHT?

FANCY PANTS BELIEVES IN BEING PREPARED.

RARITY SAYS THE SAME THING.



FIRST THING WE'RE GOING TO DO IS TAKE A NATURE WALK AROUND SWEET APPLE ACRES!

AND MAYBE LATER I CAN TEACH SOME AWESOME SCOOTER TRICKS.

WE CAN PICK APPLES FOR DINNER AND DO SOME BIRD WATCHING WHILE WE'RE AT IT.



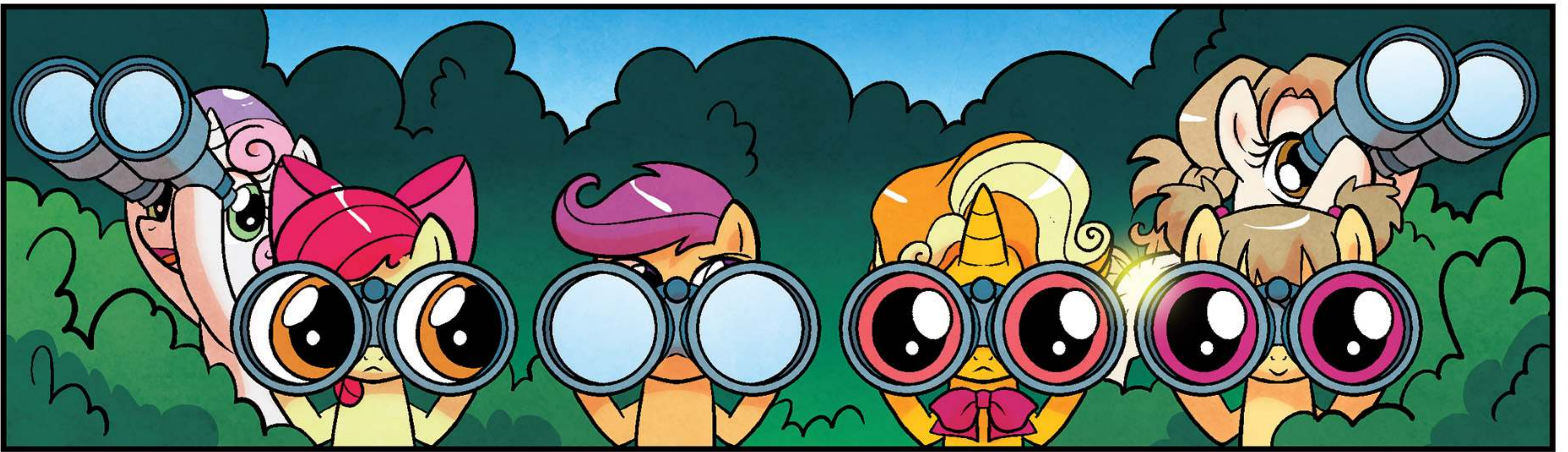
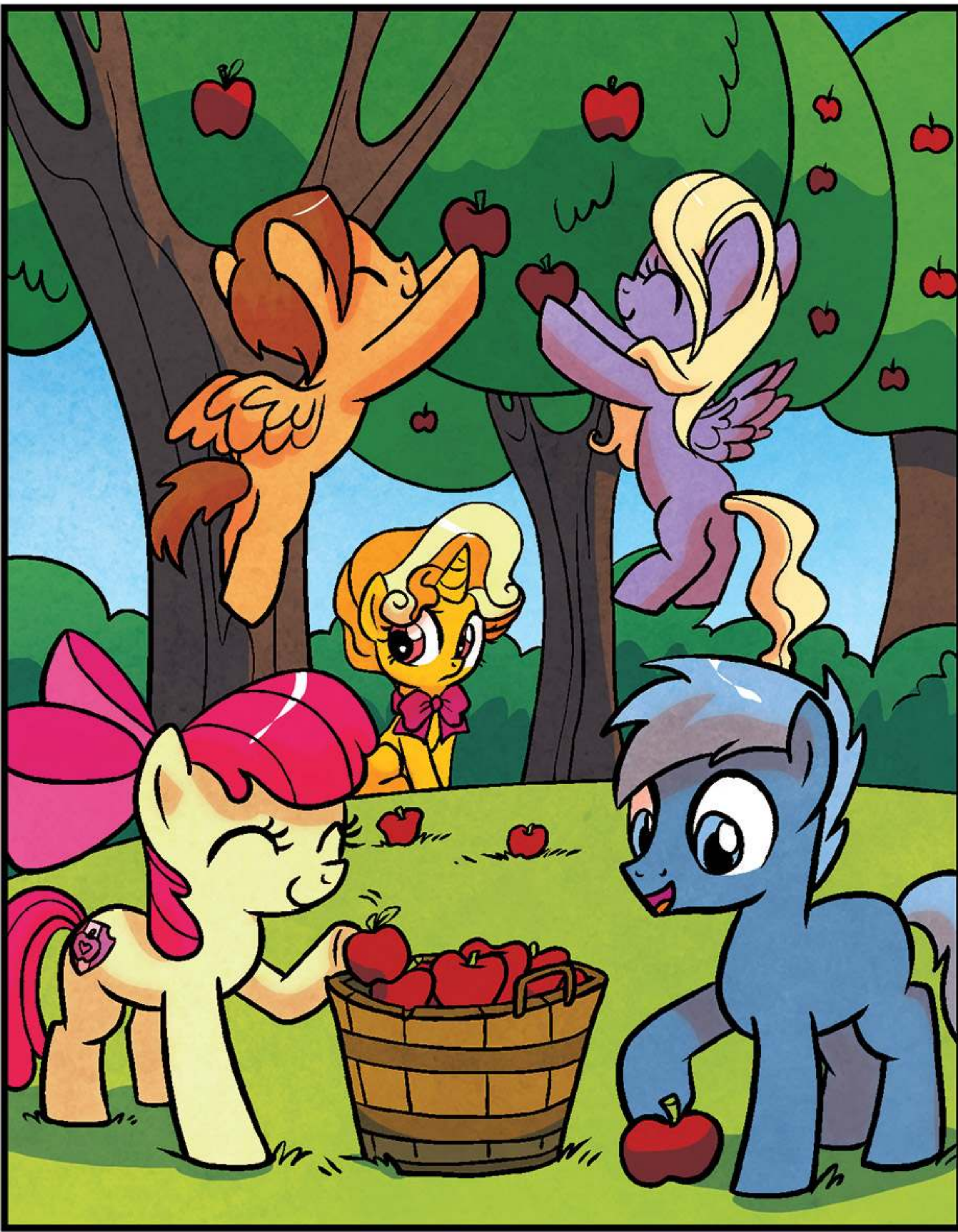
I DON'T KNOW THAT WE'LL HAVE TIME FOR SCOOTER TRICKS.

LET'S GET STARTED, CAMPERS!



SCOOTALOO! GILDED LILY! ARE YOU COMING?

I GUESS.





GOSH! A CUTIE MARK DURING THE FIRST COUPLE HOURS OF CAMP!

THAT'S GOTTA BE A RECORD!

DON'T YA THINK, SCOOTALOO?

...SCOOTALOO?



I'M WORRIED ABOUT GILDED LILY.

SHE'S BEEN SO UNINTERESTED IN EVERYTHING WE'RE DOING.

MAYBE THESE ACTIVITIES AREN'T—

—WHAT IS IT FANCY PANTS SAID?

IMPORTANT AND INFLUENTIAL.

YEAH, THAT.



I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT IS.

NONE OF US DO.

HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO HELP HER?



I'M NOT SURE, BUT WE ALSO HAVE THE OTHER CAMPERS TO HELP, SO LET'S STICK TO THE SCHEDULE.

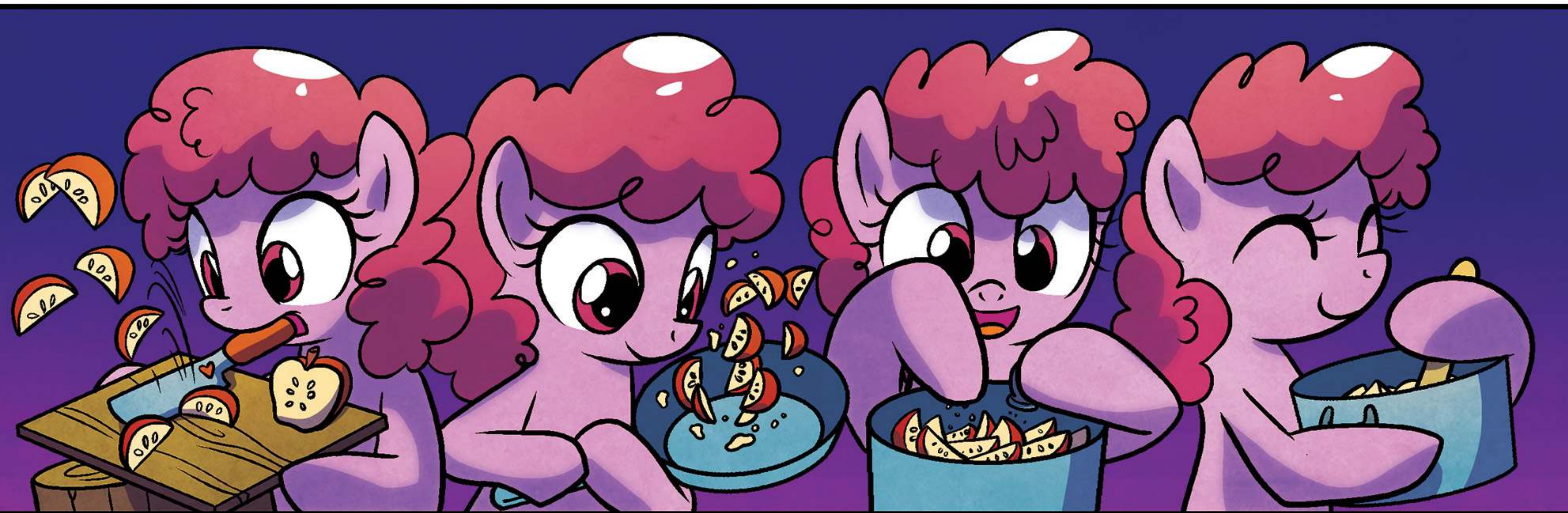
ABOUT THAT, I WAS THINKING WHEN WE GOT BACK TO CAMP, WE COULD DO SOME TREE CLIMBING.



IT'S GETTING LATE. WE SHOULD GET THE CAMPFIRE STARTED AND COOK DINNER.

AGREED!

SIGH.





WOW, TWO CUTIE MARKS IN ONE DAY!

IT'S PERFECT!



MY PARENTS RUN A LUNCH STAND, WHERE I SOMETIMES HELP.

BUT THIS MARK PROVES THAT COOKING ALONGSIDE THEM IS WHERE I BELONG!

THEY'RE GOING TO BE SO PROUD!



WOW, THIS IS GOING WAY BETTER THAN I THOUGHT!

WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT, FANCY PANTS HAS PUT A LOT OF PRESSURE ON HER.

YEAH, EXCEPT FOR GILDED LILY. SHE'S NOT LOOKING SO GREAT.

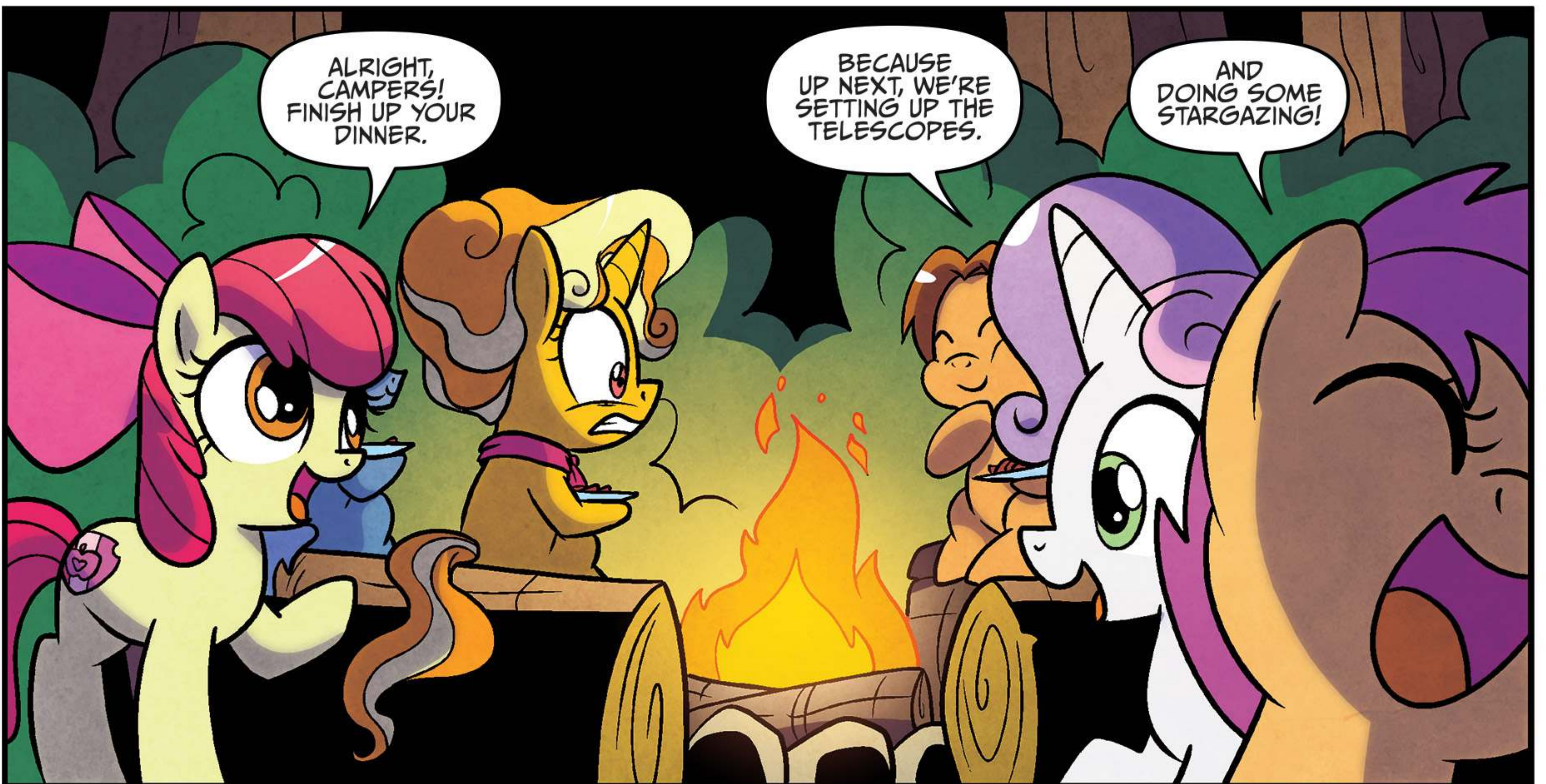
SHE MUST BE WORRIED THAT SHE WON'T GET HER MARK.



LET'S GET THE NEXT ACTIVITY SET UP AND GOING.

IF SHE'S STILL UNINTERESTED, ONE OF US CAN TRY AND TALK TO HER.

AGREED!

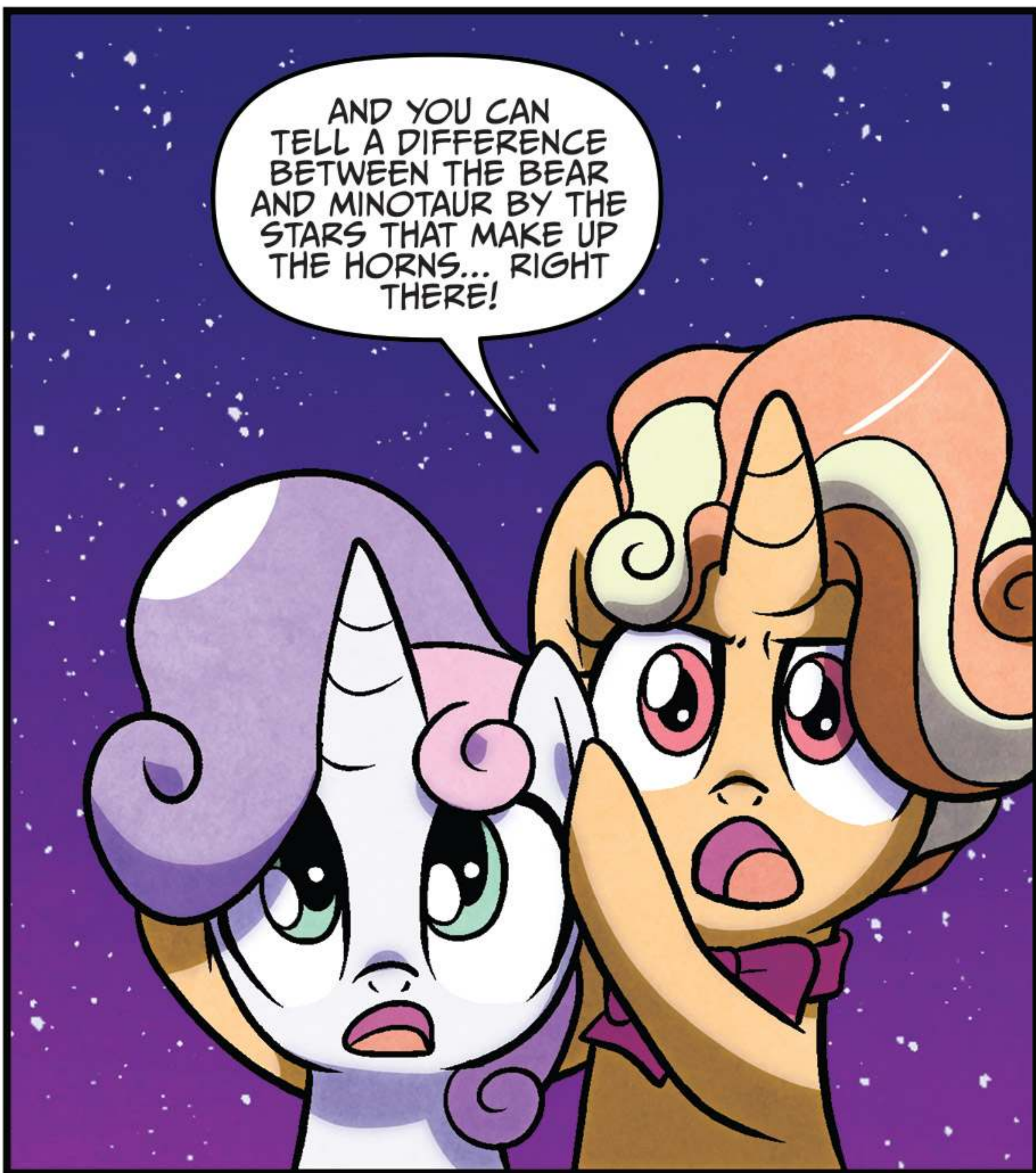


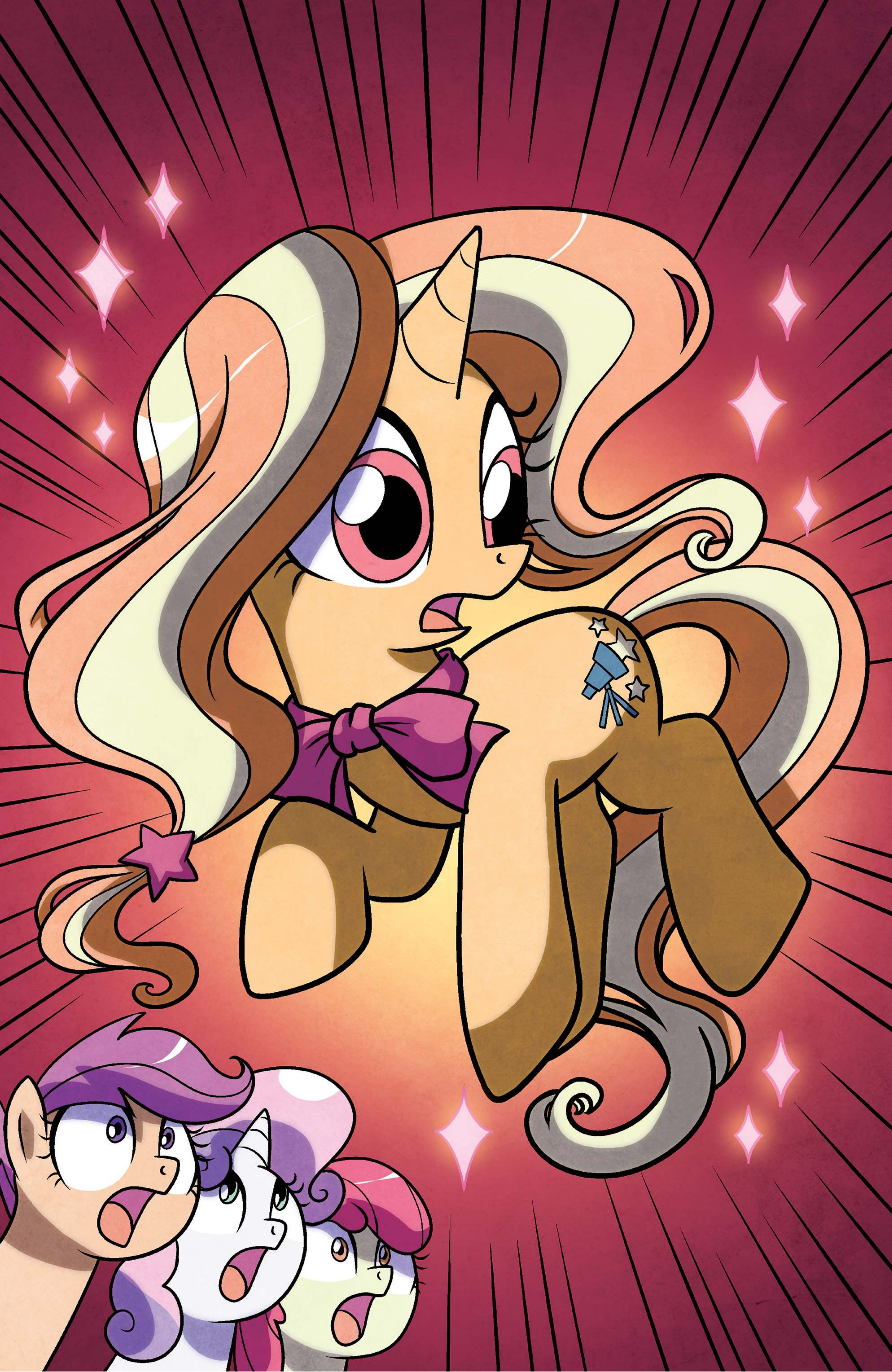
ALRIGHT, CAMPER! FINISH UP YOUR DINNER.

BECAUSE UP NEXT, WE'RE SETTING UP THE TELESCOPES.

AND DOING SOME STARGAZING!



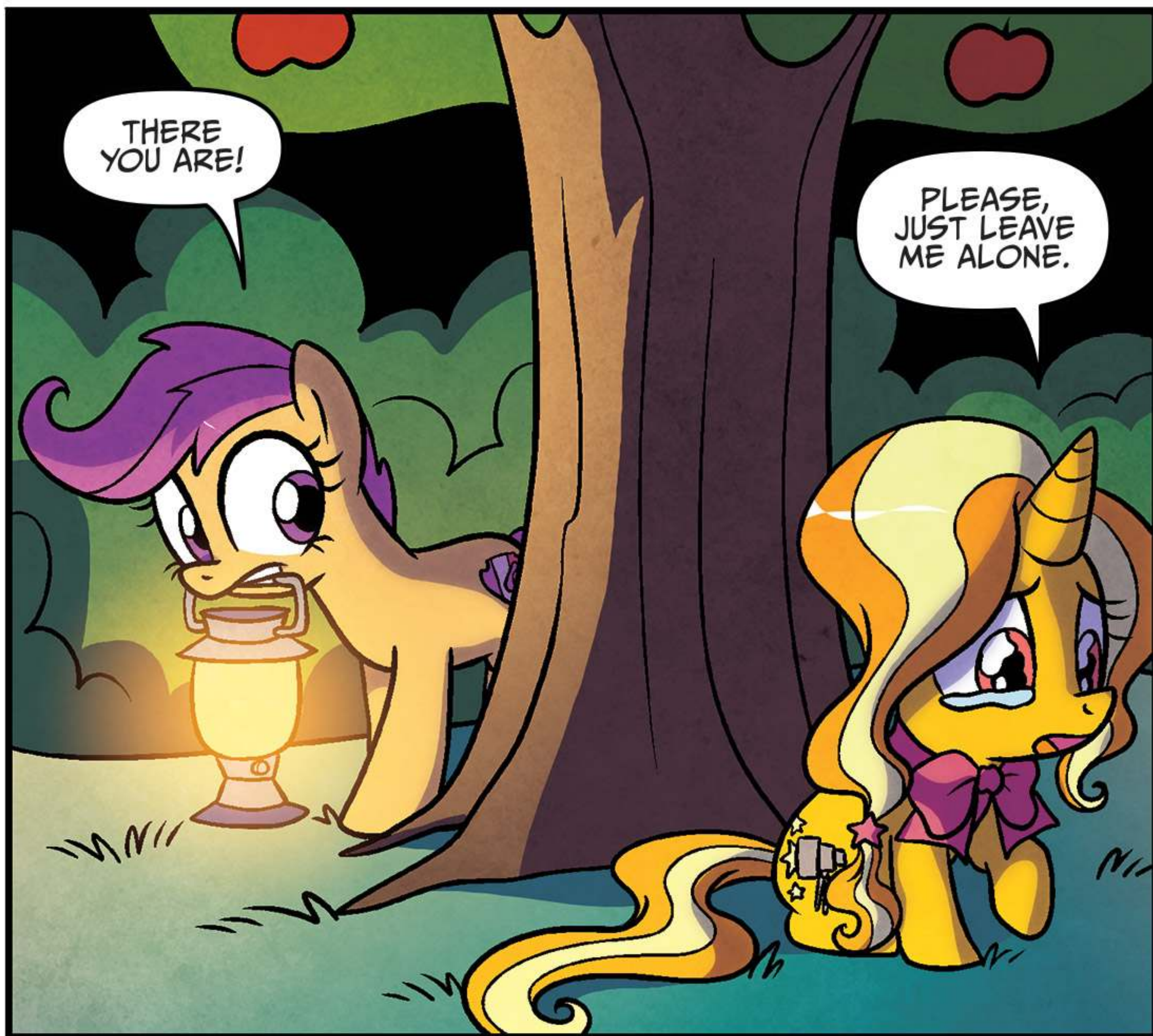






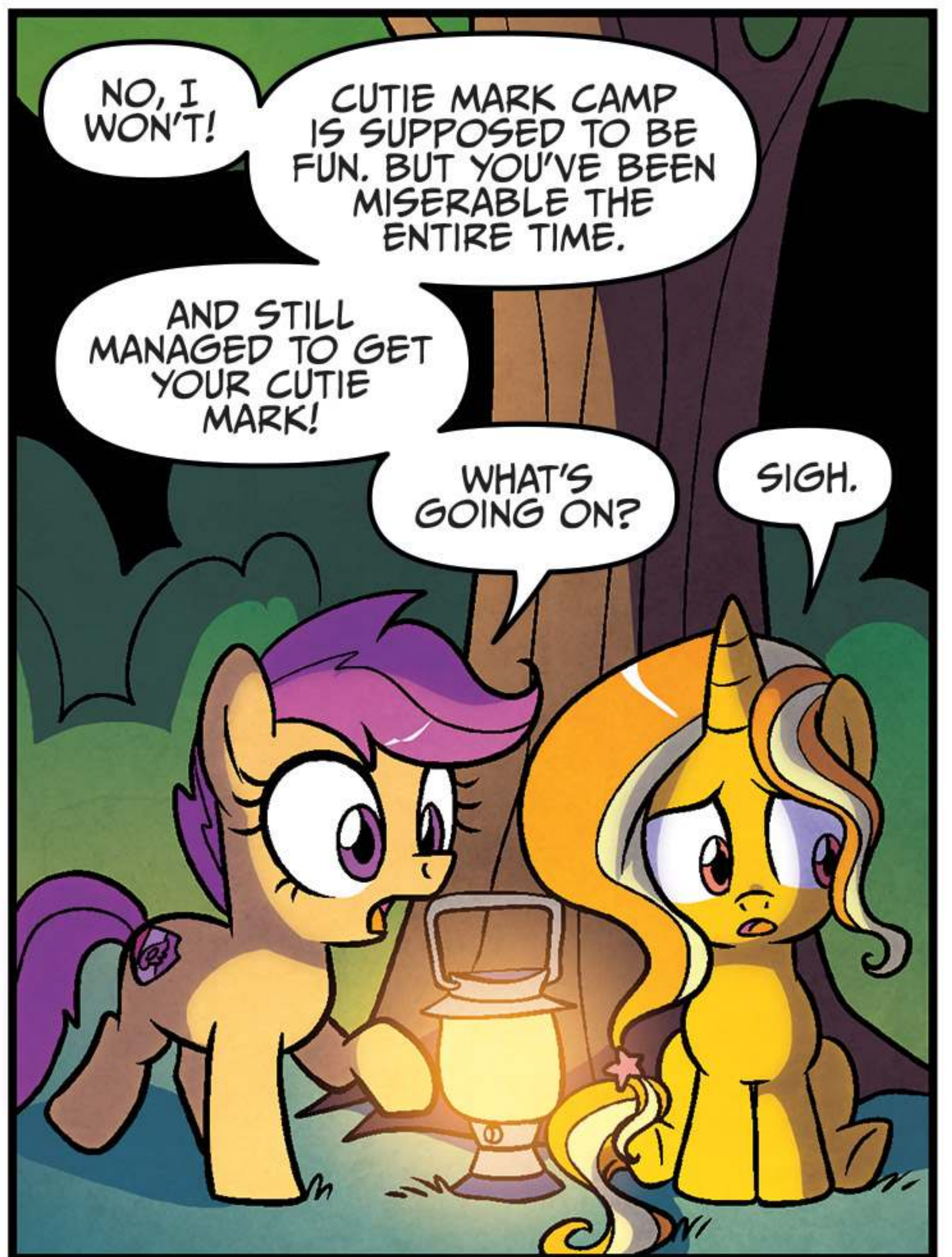


GILDED LILY?



THERE YOU ARE!

PLEASE, JUST LEAVE ME ALONE.



NO, I WON'T!

CUTIE MARK CAMP IS SUPPOSED TO BE FUN. BUT YOU'VE BEEN MISERABLE THE ENTIRE TIME.

AND STILL MANAGED TO GET YOUR CUTIE MARK!

WHAT'S GOING ON?

SIGH.



LOOK, YOUR UNCLE SHOULDN'T HAVE BROUGHT YOU HERE IF YOU DIDN'T WANT TO COME.

AND I'M SORRY IF YOU DIDN'T LIKE THE ACTIVITIES THAT WE PLANNED...

I ACTUALLY LOVED THE ACTIVITIES YOU PLANNED.



WHAT?

THAT'S THE PROBLEM.





THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T WANT TO DO ANY OF THOSE THINGS TODAY.

I KNEW IF I DID THEM, I WOULD GET A CUTIE MARK THAT WASN'T WORTHY OF MY FAMILY.

NOW I CAN'T FACE HIM.



YOU NEED TO BE TRUE TO YOURSELF, AND NOT DO SOMETHING JUST BECAUSE SOMEONY ELSE EXPECTS IT.

YOU'RE A FINE ONE TO TALK!

WHAT?



I'VE SEEN HOW YOU ARE WITH APPLE BLOOM AND SWEETIE BELLE.

YOU CLEARLY WANT TO DO MORE HIGH-THRILL ACTIVITIES, BUT THEY SURE SEEM TO DISMISS YOU.

I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU STAND UP FOR WHAT YOU WANT.

WELL, WE'RE A TEAM AND MAKE DECISIONS AS A TEAM.

SO IF THEY BOTH FEEL ONE WAY, THEN I GUESS I'M EXPECTED TO—



OH, I GET IT.

I NEED TO BE MORE FIRM WITH THEM, EVEN IF IT MEANS FOLLOWING A DIFFERENT PATH.

YOU NEED TO DO THE SAME!

SOUNDS ABOUT RIGHT.



TELL YOU WHAT. I'LL TALK TO THE CRUSADERS FIRST THING IN THE MORNING.

AND THEN COME WITH YOU TO TALK TO FANCY PANTS.

THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

BUT ONLY IF YOU COME BACK TO CAMP RIGHT NOW AND TEACH US MORE ABOUT THE CONSTELLATIONS.

DEAL!



THE NEXT MORNING.

WELL, CRUSADERS, I THINK THREE CUTIE MARKS IN ONE CAMP IS A SUCCESS!

AND GILDED LILY FINALLY CAME AROUND AFTER SCOOTALOO SPOKE WITH HER.

YEAH, ABOUT THAT...



...DURING THIS WHOLE CAMP THE TWO OF YOU HAVE DISMISSED THINGS I'VE WANTED TO DO, SO...

...I'VE DECIDED TO START AN EXTREME SPORTS CUTIE MARK CAMP.

WHAT?!



YOU'RE GONNA BREAK UP THE CUTIE MARK CRUSADERS OVER... BUNGEE JUMPING?

THAT'S NOT WHAT I SAID!

WE HELPED THREE PONIES GET THEIR CUTIE MARKS YESTERDAY, AND YOUR RESPONSE IS TO QUIT?

I'M NOT QUIT—

SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DON'T TAKE THE PATH EXPECTED OF YOU?



WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

WHAT SHE MEANS IS THAT YOU'RE JUMPING TO CONCLUSIONS WITHOUT LISTENING TO ME!



I AM A CRUSADER, WHICH I LOVE BEING!

BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE HAVE TO DO EVERYTHING TOGETHER.

I KNOW THE TWO OF YOU AREN'T CRAZY ABOUT THE EXTREME SPORTS, SO I WANT TO TRY AND BRANCH OFF EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE.



I WOULD NEVER QUIT THE CRUSADERS!

I JUST MIGHT NEED TO TAKE A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT PATH EVERY NOW AND THEN.

IS THAT TOO MUCH TO ASK?

NO, SCOOTALOO, IT ISN'T.

FORGIVE US?

AND WE'RE SORRY IF WE BRUSHED YOU OFF. THAT WAS WRONG.



OF COURSE, CRUSADERS!

AND NOW, WE HAVE ONE LAST TASK BEFORE CAMP IS OFFICIALLY OVER!



AND THEN I SAID, "DARLING, FEATHERS? WHAT YEAR DID YOU TIME TRAVEL FROM?"

OH RARITY, YOU'RE JUST TOO MUCH!

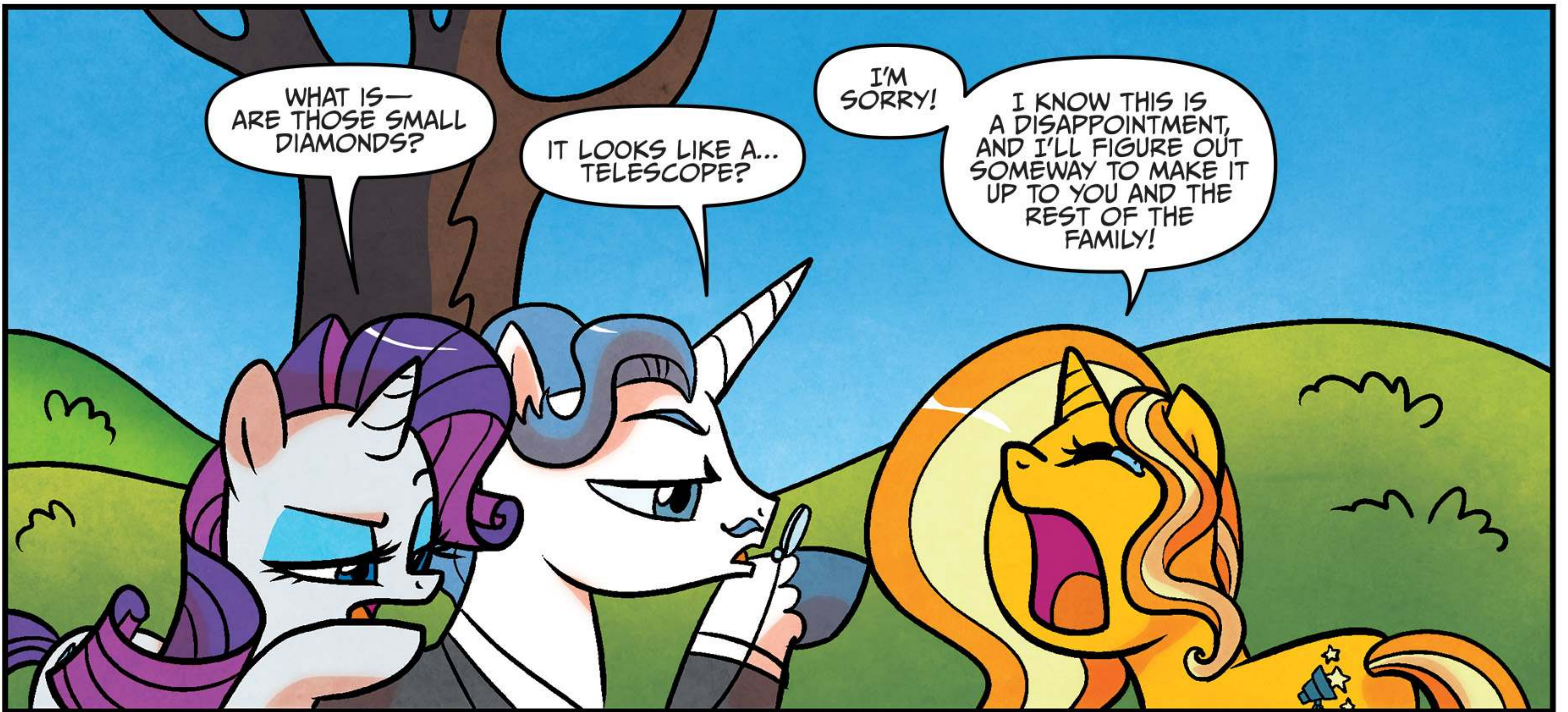
UNCLE?



LILY! BACK FROM CAMP SO EARLY! AND WITH YOUR CUTIE MARK?

WONDERFUL!

UM, YES.



WHAT IS— ARE THOSE SMALL DIAMONDS?

IT LOOKS LIKE A... TELESCOPE?

I'M SORRY!

I KNOW THIS IS A DISAPPOINTMENT, AND I'LL FIGURE OUT SOMEWAY TO MAKE IT UP TO YOU AND THE REST OF THE FAMILY!



OH LILY, IT'S OK! I CAN'T SAY THIS IS MUCH OF A SURPRISE.

YOU NEVER DID SEEM TO LIKE THE SOCIALIZING MUCH.

BUT IT DOESN'T MAKE YOU ANY LESS A PART OF THE FAMILY.

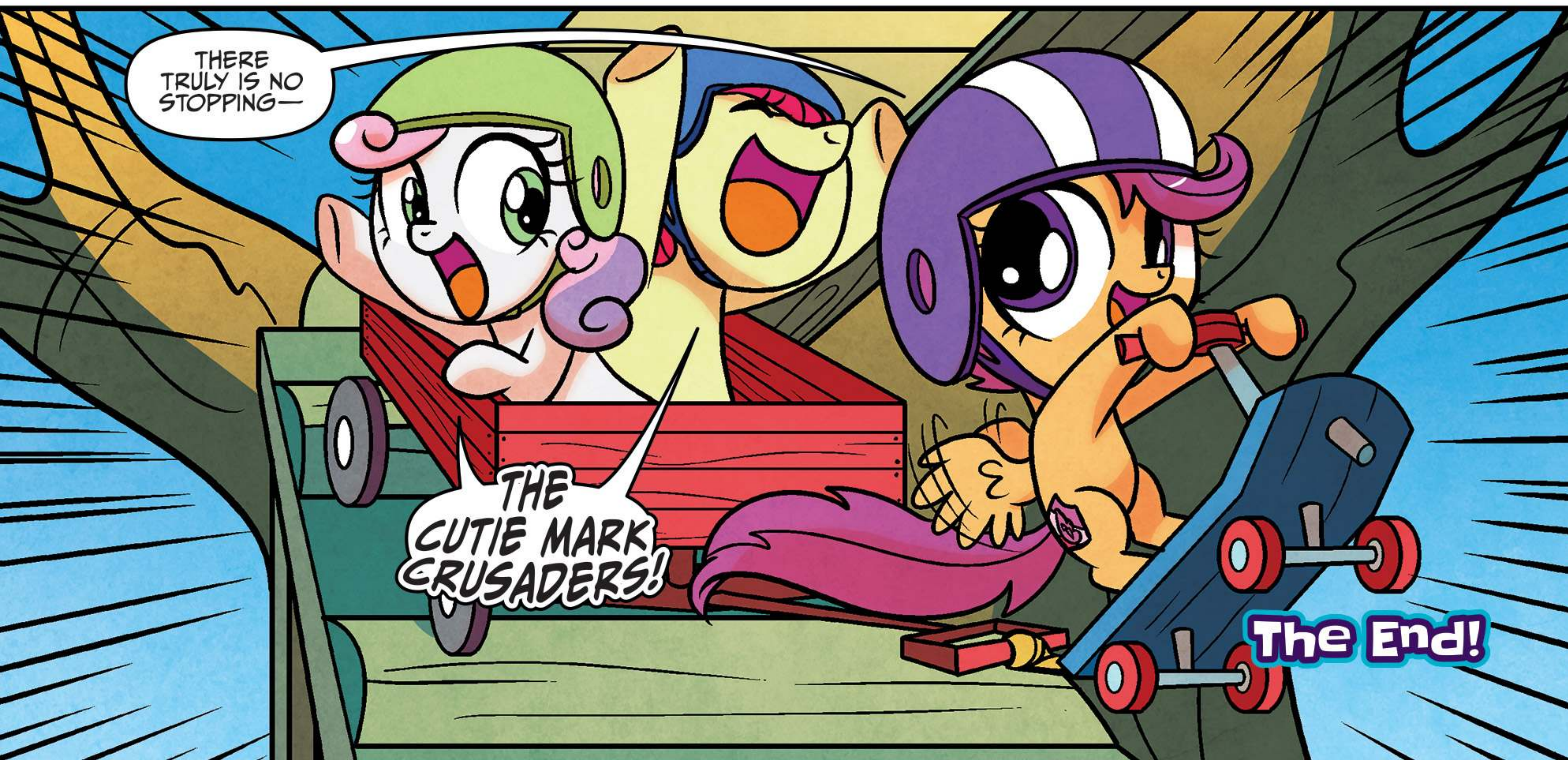
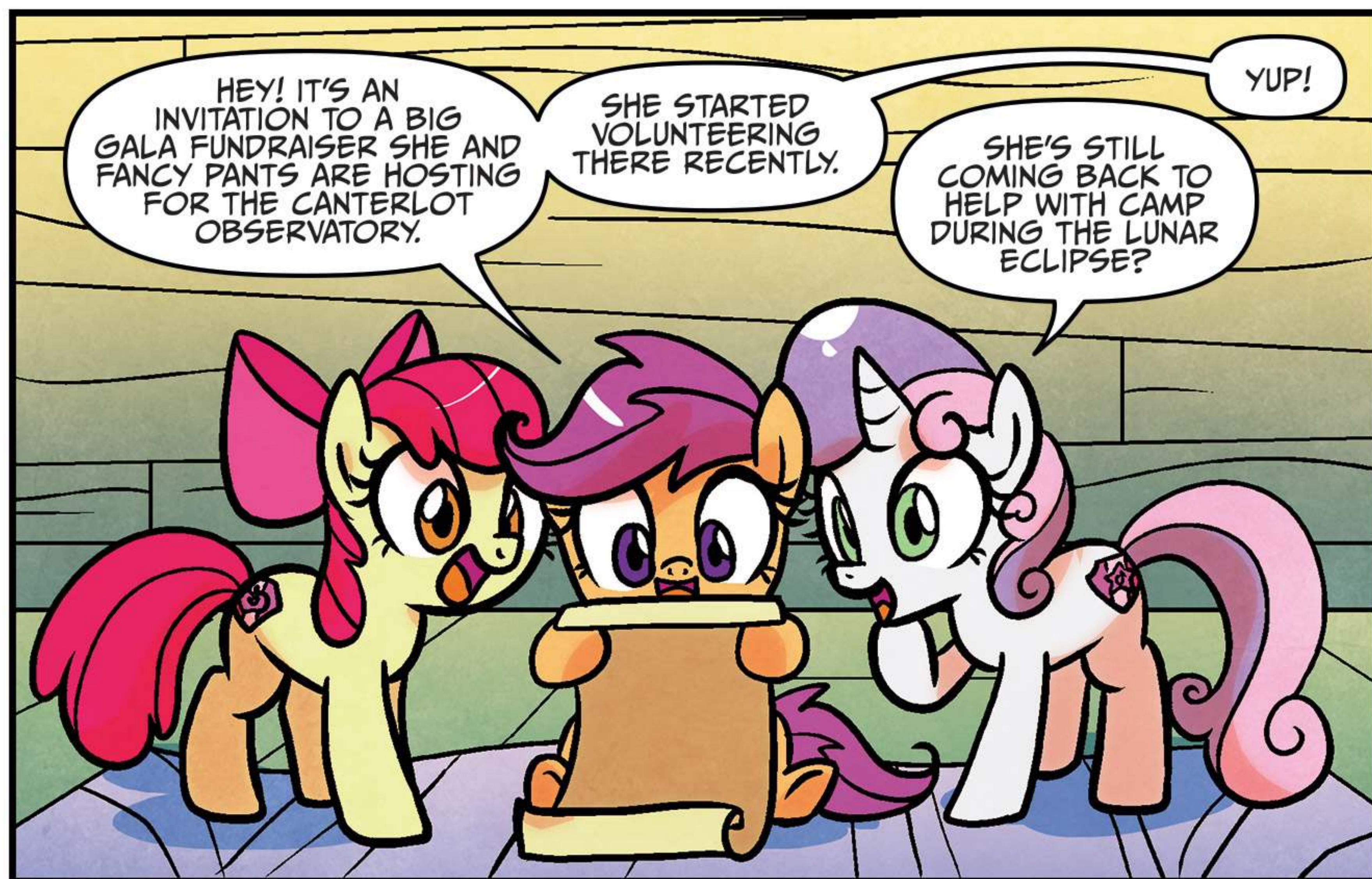
IT, IT DOESN'T?



OF COURSE NOT!

IT JUST MEANS YOU'RE GOING TO BE IMPORTANT AND INFLUENTIAL IN A DIFFERENT WAY THAN ME.

THANK YOU, UNCLE!



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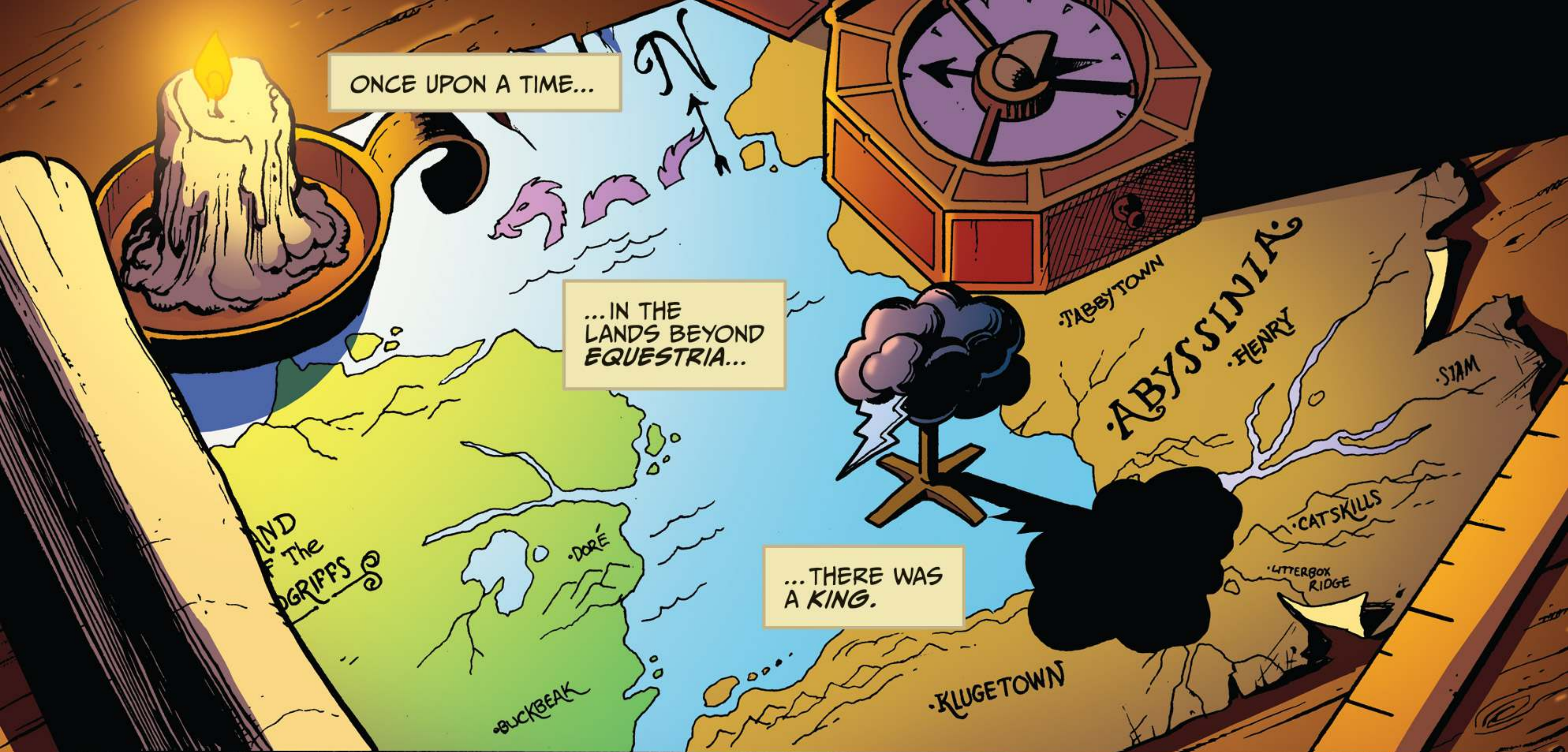
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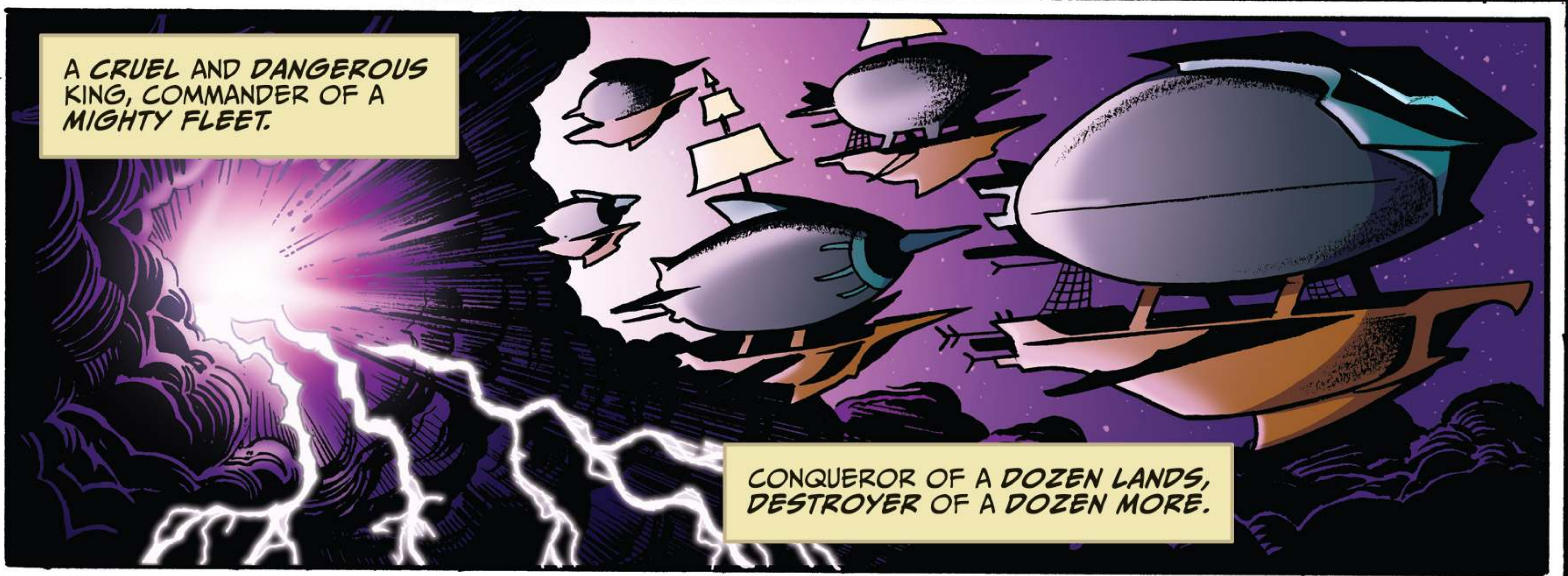
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ONCE UPON A TIME...

...IN THE LANDS BEYOND EQUESTRIA...

...THERE WAS A KING.



A CRUEL AND DANGEROUS KING, COMMANDER OF A MIGHTY FLEET.

CONQUEROR OF A DOZEN LANDS, DESTROYER OF A DOZEN MORE.



THE NAME OF THIS INVINCIBLE, IMPLACABLE FORCE OF NATURE...

...WAS THE STORM KING.

WHOA!
HEY!



SEEMS KINDA UNFAIR TO HAVE SOMEBODY ELSE TELLING MY STORY!

IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A WHOLE ISSUE ABOUT ME, THEN I'M GONNA TELL IT!

SO PLEASE, JOIN ME ON THE NEXT PAGE, WON'T YOU?

LET ME TELL YOU A STORY ABOUT—



STORM KING

STRIFE.

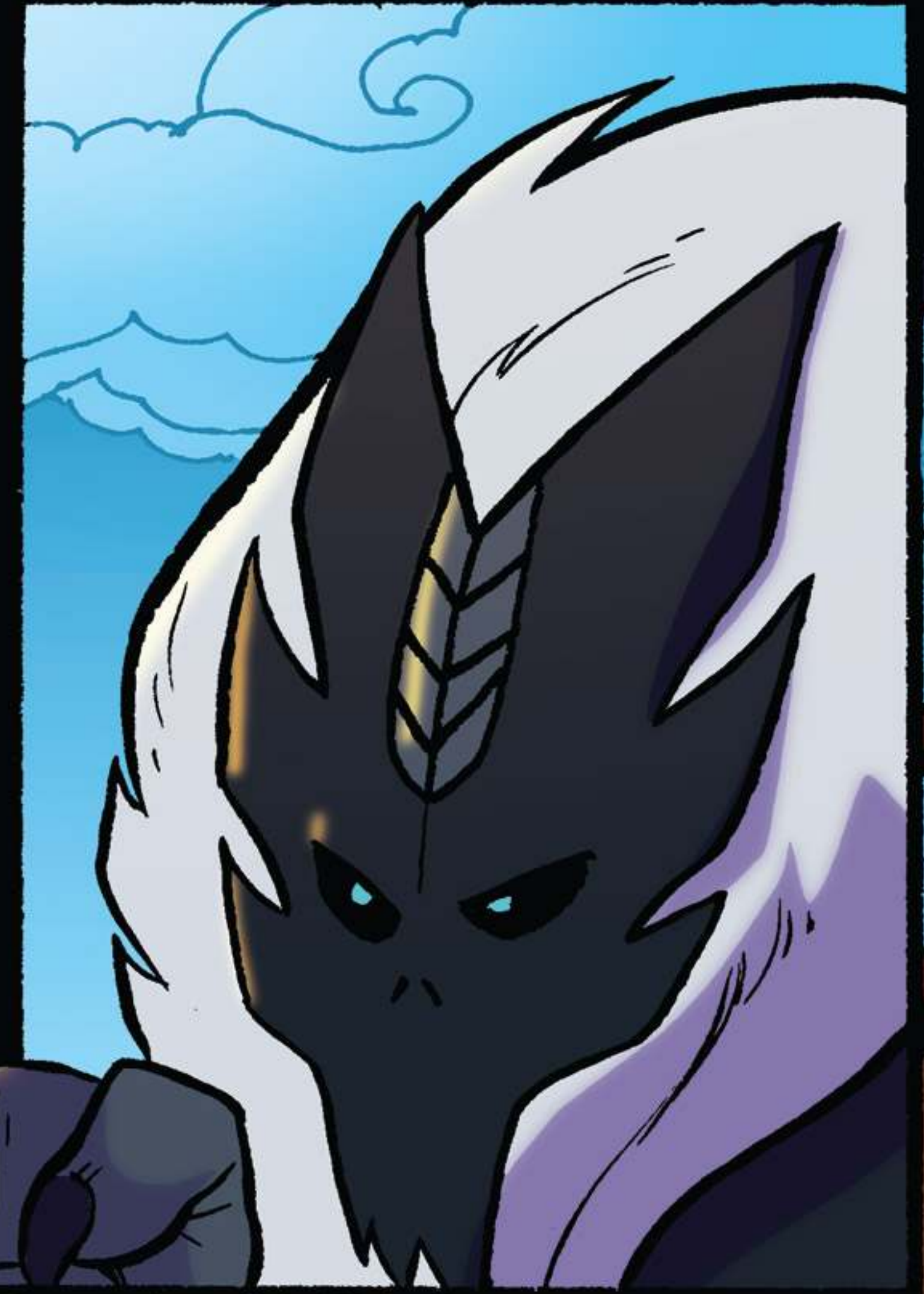
MY LORD?

IS EVERYTHING
READY FOR THE
INVASION?





OH YES,
MY LORD.
YOUR ARMADA HAS
ALREADY CONQUERED
THE REST OF
ABYSSINIA.



ONLY
THE CAPITAL,
PANTHERA, STILL
STANDS...

...AND YOUR
FORCES ONLY
AWAIT YOUR
COMMAND.

GOOD,
GOOD.



AFTER
THE INVASION,
I SHOULD DO
SOMETHING FOR
THE SOLDIERS.

YOU KNOW,
LIKE A PIZZA
PARTY! OR A
FUNNY HAT
DAY!

SOMETHING
TO SHOW I
APPRECIATE ALL
THEIR HARD WORK
PILLAGING AND
LOOTING!





AS YOU SAY, MY LORD.

SHALL WE BEGIN THE INVASION?

OH! RIGHT!

YEAH, LET'S HIT IT!



ONWARD, MY MINIONS!

AND MAKE ANOTHER EMPIRE FALL.



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