CANTERLOT HIGH STORIES

Pinkie Pie and the Cupcake Calamity

Sneak Peek!

by Arden Hayes
The next day, Pinkie Pie was working behind the counter when a woman with big blue-and-pink-striped hair walked in. She was checking her watch as she spoke. Then she glanced over her shoulder, looking for the room’s different exits.

“I have an order under the name Amber
Glow,” she said. “I called it in a few days ago. If you don’t mind, I’m in a bit of a rush.”

She glanced around the café, tapping her foot as though she couldn’t wait to get out of there. Then she let out a long, annoyed sigh.

“Yes, of course.” Pinkie smiled. “One pickup order coming right up! Let me just go grab it.”

Pinkie slipped into the back room. Rarity was there, rubbing at a spot on her skirt. There were a few dozen cupcakes on the table and some piping bags scattered about. Pinkie ran over to the shelf where all the pickup orders usually were, but there was only a box for someone named Blackberry Soda.

“Ugh!” Rarity said, wiping carefully at her skirt. “This frosting is so hard to get out once it dries. I shouldn’t have worn
tulle. I should probably invest in an apron that matches the decor in here… hmm…” Rarity eyed the wallpaper for inspiration.

“Rarity, where’s the order for Amber Glow?” Pinkie asked. “It was for three dozen cupcakes. I think it was for pickup today at noon?”

Pinkie went to the fridge and checked in there, but nothing. They weren’t on any of the shelves in the back, either.

“Amber Glow?” Rarity stared off into the distance as if the name sounded familiar, but she couldn’t remember why. “Hmm… Amber… Glow…”

“Yes! Do you remember now?” Pinkie Pie got excited. Maybe this mix-up wasn’t so bad. “Do you remember filling the order? I think it was a dozen peanut-butter-filled cupcakes, another dozen red velvet ones—”
“Wait... no...” Rarity dotted her skirt with the towel. “I thought those were for tomorrow.” Rarity looked up at Pinkie with apologetic eyes, realizing she’d likely made a mistake.

Just then, Pinkie Pie ran to the stack of papers on the frosting table, sifting through them. Amber’s order was all the way at the bottom. Rarity completed five of the orders that were being picked up that day, but she’d somehow totally missed the date on Amber Glow’s.

“Oh no...” Pinkie said, staring at the sheet. How were they going to frost thirty-six cupcakes in two minutes? And do everything else they were supposed to do in the café? Like help customers and make hot chocolate and clear the tables outside? It wasn’t possible. They would need to have
like a billion hands! “This might be really bad. Really, really bad.”

“Did I get the date wrong? I could’ve sworn they were for tomorrow…” Rarity asked with concern in her voice. She followed Pinkie out of the back room.

Pinkie went to the counter to speak to Amber Glow. She tried her best, most apologetic smile, furrowing her eyebrows to show she really didn’t want to say what she was about to say.

“I’m so sorry,” Pinkie Pie started putting on her cheeriest voice, “But there was a mix-up with your order, and it won’t be ready for another half hour. Is it possible for you to come back then?”

“What?” Amber Glow asked, as if she hadn’t heard correctly.
“I’m really sorry,” Pinkie repeated.

“Your order—”

“It’s definitely *not* possible for me to come back,” Amber said, her voice somehow even more impatient than before. “I’m supposed to bring those cupcakes to a birthday party that starts in five minutes.”

“Maybe we could deliver them,” Pinkie tried. “If you tell us where—”

“That’s okay,” Amber said. “I’m going to see if the new Butter’s Bakery has opened. I doubt something like this would happen over there.”

Before Pinkie Pie could say anything else, Amber Glow turned on her heel and left. Pinkie wanted to tell Rarity that this was terrible for business, and she had to be super-careful about pickup orders, but Pinkie was too worried about what the woman had just said.
“Butter’s Bakery? Like the chain?” Rarity asked.

Pinkie ran to the window and peered outside. Amber went over to the two-story building where the construction had been happening. There weren’t tables outside, but the paper had been taken off the windows. A man in yellow overalls was stenciling a sign on the glass: BUTTE.

“‘Butte.’ That’s actually kind of funny,” Rarity said.

Pinkie ignored her, watching as Amber Glow paused at the door, then left when she realized it wasn’t open yet. She took one of the to-go menus by the door. “Oh no,” Pinkie said.

There were already five other Butter’s Bakeries in town. They must’ve churned out hundreds of coffees and hot chocolates.
a day, and thousands of cookies and pastries. Each Butter’s Bakery was exactly the same as the others, with big yellow armchairs and mass-produced chalkboard signs. Pinkie was sure their treats were still delicious, but were they filled with happiness and love like Sugarcube Corner’s were?

“If a Butter’s Bakery opens right across the street, what’s going to happen to Sugarcube Corner?” Rarity asked.

Pinkie Pie just stood there, staring at the half-painted sign. She didn’t know the answer, but she had a feeling she didn’t want to. How could they compete with a huge chain like Butter’s Bakery?

They would have to try.
Pinkie Pie is a girly-girl through and through. Not only is Pinkie a party planner extraordinaire and lover of glitter, she is a feminine fashion maven! Her wardrobe is all pinks, ruffles, bows, tulles, and lace.
Pinkie loves a skirt and has never met a heel she was afraid of. Her closet is as light and bright as her personality, and she always has a handbag to match.

Not only does Pinkie Pie have a feminine aesthetic, she is also adventurous and bold with the details. She loves to mix patterns as long as they have some of her favorite color: pink!
She also uses different fabrics and finishes to pull together her outfits. Pinkie always keeps it interesting!

There are so many things to love about Pinkie Pie’s style, but what makes her so fashionable is that she never takes herself too seriously. Fun always seems to be at the top of her priority list. Yes, she is always put together and accessorized to perfection, but she also clearly loves to keep things totally playful.
Are You a Pinkie Pie?

Let’s talk about how you can recreate Pinkie’s look with some key pieces.

**Signature Color**

The number one rule of Pinkie Pie’s wardrobe is pink, pink, **PINK**! She wears it; she layers it; she accessorizes with it….She rocks it! Without a doubt, pink is her signature color. Pinkie loves how many shades are available. She can go with a pastel or a neon—and every hue in between! Having a signature color makes completing a look so much easier because
all the tones tend to look great together. Bold skirt with a pastel top? Yes! Pale-pink dress with neon shoes? All day. Pinkie loves every shade of pink and knows exactly how to wear them together.

**Feminine Details**

Some girls love leather and studs. Some love denim and boots. Pinkie Pie loves *tulle and lace. Ruffles, beading, and bling* are all ultra-feminine touches that make this girly-girl really feel in her element. When choosing her wardrobe, Pinkie always thinks about the overall picture. Do all her pieces go with pink? Obviously. But they also all give off
the same feminine vibe. Her skirts are never tight or fitted—instead, she chooses bottoms with volume and flare. Even the tiniest detail can make any addition perfect for Pinkie Pie. A subtle bow or tiny jewel can take something basic and make it a feminine piece.

So Many Accessories
What does a girl who loves accessories need? Options—and tons of them! Pinkie Pie has a closet full of shoes, scarves, bags, and coats, and drawers full of jewelry and headbands. Even with all these options, there is one common theme in her accessory game: variety. She is constantly finding new ways to showcase
her sense of style. Instead of a simple pink purse, she uses a sequined bag or throws on a pink floral jacket and polka-dotted shoes. Pinkie Pie’s outfits are never complete without the perfect statement-making accessories.

And finally, all Pinkie Pie fans know that she lives for FUN! Pinkie knows how to bring excitement and smiles into every part of her life—especially style. It might be a rad shoe in an unexpected pop of color. Or it could be a bouncy skirt with layers to spare. Whatever Pinkie Pie chooses to wear, she will make you feel joy in every outfit she puts on.
Can you spot the pieces of girly-girl clothing in Pinkie Pie’s wardrobe?
Now it's your turn to style Pinkie Pie! Draw her a new outfit!
Time to accessorize!
Add some Pinkie Pie flair to these simple pieces.
It’s time for some fun at the mall! Fill out your Pinkie Pie-inspired shopping list.
What would be Pinkie Pie’s biggest fashion Dos and Don’ts?

DO’s

DON’Ts
Create three outfits for Pinkie Pie using the pieces below!
Do you have a signature color like Pinkie Pie? Why is it your favorite?
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Rainbow Dash Brings the Blitz

by Arden Hayes

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Comet turned back to the bleachers, where Principal Celestia and Vice Principal Luna were sitting. He narrowed his eyes at them as if they were responsible.

“What?” said Principal Celestia, coolly. “You never said the high school league would be only boys....”
“Well I didn’t say that,” Comet started, “because I thought it was obvious! Blitz-ball has always been an all-male sport. In the twenty-year history of the game, there’s never been a female player.”

“Well, you said it yourself,” Vice Principal Luna tried as she followed Principal Celestia out onto the field. “Rainbow Dash was the MVP of tryouts. Don’t you think it’s time for a change?”

Comet shook his head. “It will throw everything off. One girl… The rest of the players are boys….” He looked at Rainbow Dash again, this time with great disappointment. “No, I’m sorry, you’re very good…but no.”

Somewhere in the back of the group, a few of the boys who hadn’t made the team laughed. Rainbow Dash felt all the
blood rush to her face. No one had said she couldn’t try out. Sure, maybe the professional Blitzball teams were all men, but she’d just assumed the high school league would be different. Was it silly for her to think that? Was she a fool to dream about playing Blitzball?

“It’s not fair, though,” a voice said from somewhere behind her.

She turned to see Forest Thunder stepping forward from the group. He held his helmet in his hands. His green eyebrows were pulled together, and he looked upset. “If you never said it was a rule, then she never broke the rule. We’d be lucky to have her on the team, you—”

“Enough,” Comet said, holding up his hands. “This is not up for debate. Player 92, congratulations! You’ll take 22’s place on
the team. Player 22, we wish you the best of luck. I’m sure the girls’ soccer team would love to have you.”

The boys who had been cut were slowly leaving the field. They dropped their stuff in bags and started walking sullenly toward the parking lot. The remaining players scattered into a Blitzball formation. Forest Thunder was the only one who didn’t move. He was standing there, waiting for Rainbow Dash to say something.

Whatever embarrassment she felt had already disappeared. Instead she was just angry. For so long she’d dreamed about this moment, about meeting Comet and being on his team. She’d thought he was strong, fierce, and clever. She’d thought he was one of the best Blitzball players in Blitzball
history. What she knew now was that he was also kind of a jerk.

“Don’t worry about me,” she said to Forest Thunder. “I don’t want to be on a team that doesn’t want me. I’ll see you around.”

Then she stormed off the field, not even looking at Comet. She didn’t stop until she got to the stands, where her friends surrounded her. Pinkie Pie threw her arms around her in a hug.

“This is so unfair,” Twilight Sparkle said. “You were the best by far!”

“So rude,” Rarity added.

“Comet definitely isn’t cool in my book anymore,” Sunset Shimmer added. “Not even kind of.”

After a moment Principal Celestia and Vice Principal Luna came over to the girls.
Principal Celestia put a hand on Rainbow Dash’s shoulder. “I’m sorry, Rainbow Dash,” she said. “He never mentioned that only boys could try out for the high school league. I can’t control what Comet says or does, but you have every right to petition for a spot.”

“Don’t be discouraged,” Vice Principal Luna said. Then she leaned in and lowered her voice. “I like to think where there’s a will, there’s a way.”

“And if we can help,” Principal Celestia said, “you let us know.”

Rainbow Dash stared at the boys on the field. They’d already started running their first plays. Comet was ordering them this way and that, yelling for a boy named Ivory to pick up his speed. This was supposed to be her big day. That was supposed to be her new team.
Twilight Sparkle gave her a hug. “I’m so sorry this is happening,” she said.

But Rainbow Dash smiled just a little, watching as the boys darted back and forth.

“Don’t be,” she said. “I just might have a plan...”
Rainbow Dash is an athleisure superstar! “Athleisure” is a new clothing trend where athletic and leisure clothing live together in all kinds of cool and comfortable ways. This is a world where sneakers are the best footwear and comfort is the ultimate fashion statement; a world where workout pants are the name of the game.
This is a world where Rainbow Dash reigns supreme. She lives in 
comfy but fashionable 
clothing, and she brings her own 
colorful vibe to the table. She is a 
girl who never met a pair of workout 
pants she didn’t love, but she won’t stick to 
just any old basic black pant. Her workout 
gear has to be special. She rocks bright, 
bold colors and eye-catching patterns— 
never “basic” anything. And to make her 
pants really pop, she like to pair them with 
a great statement-making jacket. Instead of 
a simple zip-up hoodie, she opts for a satin 
bomber or a varsity jacket. These trendy 
tops pull her whole fashionable-yet-
practical look together. 

Even though she has a tomboy 
vibe, Rainbow Dash still enjoys
accessorizing. She rocks *metallic accents* and *jewelry*. She prefers to keep it *simple and cool* instead of overly girly and feminine. You’ll never catch her in a fussy statement necklace…no way. And you certainly will never see her sprinting down the street in heels. Why? Because not only does she care about style—she cares about comfort. So instead of heels, she struts in athletic *sneakers* and *high-tops*. But as always, to keep her look as bright and colorful as she is, Rainbow Dash opts for a blinged-out high-top or a sequined sneaker.
Are you a Rainbow Dash?

Let’s talk about how you can recreate her looks with some key pieces.

**Statement Sneakers**

First, you need some cool kicks. Sneakers and high-tops are a must. But do *not* go for the basics! Look for silver, gold, or sequined options. These will be the basis for all your looks. These metallic choices can go with anything and everything. They are a great neutral with a little something extra.
Colorful Workout Pants

Second, you need some standout leggings or pants. Bold colors, graphic prints, or shiny metallics are all great choices that would get the Rainbow Dash seal of approval.

The Perfect Jacket

Next, you need a great jacket. Look for colors, prints, cool fabrics or textures, or just something that screams fun! Keep in mind what you have on the bottom. Do you have a ton of color and prints? If so, keep the jacket a little simpler. If you have a simple color palette on the bottom, then get color crazy with the top.
Finally, pick a little bling to finish off your look. If you have pierced ears, look for a rebellious ear climber, or maybe a creative set of mismatched earrings. If a necklace is more your thing, remember that *less is more*. A lightning bolt or bold geometric shape is cool. Keep it simple and sleek, and let your colorful clothing be the star.
Can you spot the pieces of athletics wear in Rainbow Dash’s wardrobe?
Now it’s your turn to style Rainbow Dash! Draw her a new outfit!
Design your own stylish Blitzball uniform!
Write about your own personal style.
What would be Rainbow Dash’s biggest fashion Dos and Don’ts?

DOs

DON'Ts
Can you create three outfits for Rainbow Dash using the pieces shown?
Time to go to the mall! Fill out your Rainbow Dash-inspired shopping list!
Write about something that inspires your style!
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Twilight Sparkle's Science Fair Sparks

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by Arden Hayes
Twilight Sparkle hovered in the doorway of the gym. It was Friday, and the first mixer with Crystal Prep was going on inside. There were dozens of students milling about, grabbing drinks and snacks off a table by the door. Twilight saw the
two Crystal Prep girls who had been mean to her by the bus one day, when she’d accidentally cut them in line. She saw Sage, a boy who always forgot her name, even though they’d worked on two different history projects together. And then there was Principal Cinch. The small, serious woman wandered through the crowd, shooting stern looks at the Canterlot High students.

“I don’t think I can do this…” said Twilight Sparkle, turning to Applejack and Sunset Shimmer, who were standing right behind her.

Principal Cinch had been one of the cruelest people Twilight had ever met. She’d used Twilight, telling her she had to join the Friendship Games and help
Crystal Prep win or she wouldn’t be allowed to transfer to another school. Was being in the science fair really worth having to see her again?

“Of course you can do this,” Sunset Shimmer said. “Don’t worry, Twilight. We’ll be right there next to you. Life is a lot easier with true friends by your side.”

“You bet it is,” Applejack said. She looped her arm around Twilight’s elbow.

Twilight Sparkle took a deep breath as they stepped inside. All the Crystal Prep students turned and stared at her. One girl shot her friend a look, and the two laughed. Twilight felt Applejack’s arm around hers, a reminder that her friends were there. Sunset Shimmer was right—it did make her feel better.
“Forget about them,” Sunset Shimmer said, grabbing Twilight’s other arm. They walked together toward the snack table. Twilight plucked a cupcake off it. Before she could take a bite, Principal Cinch was walking toward her.

“Good afternoon, Twilight Sparkle,” she said. “So happy to see you….”

She said it in a way that sounded as though she wasn’t happy at all. Cinch offered Twilight a tight smile and headed to the other side of the gym to talk to Melody, one of Crystal Prep’s top students.

Twilight Sparkle tried to ignore it, but she noticed the Canterlot High students were staring at her, too. Flash Sentry was on the other side of the room, and
he hadn’t even said hi to her when she came in. A pink-haired boy by the snack table whispered something to his friend. Twilight was sure he had said something about the amulet she’d made—the one that turned her into the demon Midnight Sparkle.

“Maybe I should go…” she said, feeling her cheeks burn.

“Don’t be silly!” Applejack said. She held Twilight close.

“If it helps at all,” Sunset Shimmer tried, “I know how you feel. It wasn’t so long ago that I was the one turning into a demon and scaring everyone in the school.”

That made Twilight laugh. It was true—if anyone could understand how she felt, it
was Sunset Shimmer. Twilight took a bite of her cupcake as Principal Celestia and Vice Principal Luna entered the gym.

Principal Celestia scanned the crowd. “Thank you for coming to our mixer for the Canter-Crys science fair! I’m so happy you could make it.” She looked at Twilight as she said it, and offered her a warm smile. “I have the sign-up sheets from both schools, and with a little help from Vice Principal Luna, we’ve made our teams. Please come up and meet your partner once your name is called.”

Another wave of nerves came over Twilight. She looked at the Crystal Prep students, realizing there was so much that could go wrong. What if she was paired with one of the girls who’d been
mean to her outside the bus? What if she was paired with Sage and had to introduce herself all over again? She was sure this had all been a huge mistake.

Principal Celestia called off the first names: A red-haired Crystal Prep boy stepped forward was paired with Brindle, a boy from Canterlot High. Applejack ended up getting paired with a short, angry-looking girl named Lotus. Sunset Shimmer got paired with a boy with blue hair and glasses named Ember. By the time Principal Celestia got to the end of the list, Twilight was standing alone. She took a deep breath and tried to ignore her stomach doing flips.

“And, Twilight Sparkle,” called out Principal Celestia, “you will be teamed up with
one of Crystal Prep’s brand-new students, Rising Star.”

Twilight turned around, noticing a boy with long gold hair with a white streak in it. He had huge green eyes and was wearing his uniform shirt untucked, which was against the dress code. He strode up to her and smiled the cutest, dimple-filled smile. “Last but not least, huh?” he said. “I’m Rising Star.”

He put out his hand and Twilight shook it, feeling her cheeks flush. All her worries about the science fair disappeared. Not only had she gotten a cute Crystal Prep student as her partner, but he was nice, too.

“Twilight Sparkle,” Twilight said.

“Oh, I already know all about you.”
Twilight Sparkle is the queen of *geek chic* or, as she likes to call it, smart chic. And what exactly is *geek chic*? Quite simply, it is transforming traditionally “geeky” pieces into hip, smart, and totally *chic* fashion statements.
It is time to embrace your glasses, your loafers, your knee-high socks, and your necktie blouses because these pieces have never been more stylish...and Twilight Sparkle shows the world how to wear them like a pro!

Twilight Sparkle’s statement-making glasses are her number-one accessory. Not only do they help her see, they also complete her look. They bring an extra dose of personality and polish, and, thanks to a few spare pairs, she can change them to fit her mood.
With an accessory game this strong, it could be easy for clothing to take a back seat, but Twilight Sparkle certainly doesn’t let that happen. She actually takes her clothing to the next level. She has her favorite pieces, like a bow-tie blouse and pleated skirt, but she doesn’t do basic. She mixes patterns and prints, and she doesn’t shy away from color. Her clothing is always classic, so the way she puts it together is definitely smart chic.
Are You a Twilight Sparkle?

Let’s talk about how you can recreate her look with some key pieces.

**Cool-Girl Glasses**

So many of us need some vision assistance, and there has never been a better time to make a statement with your specs. There are so many frames out there to choose. Twilight Sparkle’s bold, black frames are certainly a standout, but plain frames are only beginning. *Glasses can be as unique as you are!*

There are so many websites and optical stores that will help you find the perfect pair based your face. 
shape, needs, and price point. The sky is the limit! And if you don’t happen to need real help with your vision, there are also lots of options with clear non-prescription lenses so you can still rock the glasses without the enhancements.

**Neat Neckwear**

Neckwear is not just for the guys. Sure, it’s a trend inspired by menswear, but neckwear on the girls can be just as cool and even ultra feminine. When wearing a necktie blouse or other neckwear, keep a few things in mind: The rest of your accessories should be relatively simple. You don’t need fussy jewelry or other things
competing. **Tuck in your shirt!** This look shines when it’s paired with a skirt, pants, or jeans and then tucked in for a polished finish. Finally, don’t be afraid to **layer it up.** Throw on a sweater or a blazer, or wear the blouse under an open-necked dress to complete your look.

**Loafers and Lace-ups**

When Twilight Sparkle reaches for a pair of shoes, they should be practical and fashionable—just like she is. Loafers and socks? Yes, please! Lace-up booties? Awesome! Wedge heels? For sure! Her shoes strike the perfect balance between style and function.
The miniskirt is one of Twilight Sparkle’s most versatile pieces. It is the perfect balance of girlish whimsy and ladylike sophistication. It is not too short and never too tight. She loves a skirt with color and pattern, and it pairs perfectly with a cute sock-and-loafer combo. This is her ultimate wardrobe staple.
Style Twilight Sparkle!
Draw her a new outfit!
Twilight Sparkle loves her glasses. What is your number-one accessory and why?
Design a new pair of glasses for Twilight Sparkle!
Can you create three outfits for Twilight Sparkle using these tops and bottoms?
What would be Twilight Sparkle’s biggest fashion Dos and Don’ts?

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Time to go to the mall! Fill out your Twilight Sparkle-inspired shopping list!
Can you spot which tops Twilight Sparkle has in her wardrobe?
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