

It's Pony! Spec Script

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INT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - BEDROOM - MORNING

Pony lies sleeping in his hay bed. Next to him, Annie's bed lays empty and made. As the sun enters through the window, the rooster outside crows.

Pony BOUNDS out of his haystack and jumps over to the calendar. He tears off yesterday's date. The calendar reads:

"July 20th. Annie's Back from camp!!!"

PONY
Annie's back!!

Pony races towards the door, and trips on a pile of dirty clothes. He pops back up, undeterred, his head stuck in a pant leg.

PONY (cont'd)
(muffled)
Annie's Back!!!

Pony smashes through the door of Annie's Room, leaving a Pony-shaped hole behind him.

INT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - LIVING ROOM

Pony careens through the room, jumping and shouting with glee, until -- WHAM! He slams into George, who was carrying a plate of eggs and bacon - which just landed on the ceiling.

GEORGE
PONYYYY!!!

PONY
Sorry, George! No time for apologies!
Annie's back today!!!

Pony races out of the room. George stands there, tired. With a wet SMACK the eggs and bacon fall from the ceiling and onto his head.

EXT. OUTSIDE ANNIE'S APARTMENT

Pony races towards the bus stop, still unable to contain his joy. He SLAMS into the bus stop sign, bending it in half. He shakes his head violently, and the pants go flying off of him and into the street.

PONY

Ahhh, that's better! No more wild,
dangerous careening for THIS pony!

We hear a SCREECH and a car horn as two cars SLAM into each other offscreen.

BYSTANDER 1 (O.S.)

My goodness! Who threw those pants
into the street?

BYSTANDER 2

Such a tragedy! They may never walk
again!

PONY

Today is going to be a good day!!

A bus screeches to a halt in front of Pony. The doors open and students file out. Pony scans his eyes across each of them, searching... He sees a small boy, a very large girl, a yeti, a seeing-eye dog.

PONY (cont'd)

Not Annie, not Annie, not human?
Definitely not Annie... Oh... ANNIE!!!

ANNIE steps off of the bus carrying a cage with a cloth draped over it. Pony bounds toward her, knocking a few bystanders out of the way.

PONY (cont'd)

ANNIE!!! You're back!!! You don't
know how I suffered without you.
They starved me, I tell ya! They
Wouldn't look me in the eye! It was

(MORE)

PONY (cont'd)
Like prison, but without the
camaraderie!

ANNIE
(Laughing)
Pony!! I missed you too. But you've
gotta get off of me, we're holding
up traffic.

Sure enough, a long line of cars are stuck behind the bus,
honking impatiently.

PONY
Yeesh, alright. You'd think there was
an accident or something.

Annie and Pony head inside. Behind them, we see an enormous
traffic collision and a torn pair of pants stuck in a
windshield.

INT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - ELEVATOR

Pony and Annie are in the elevator, waiting to step out onto
their floor. Pony is bouncing with excitement.

PONY
Ohmygosh ohmygosh you have to tell me
EVERYTHING! Did you learn to be a
Scientist? Did you make new friends?
Did you forget all about your best
friend Pony??

ANNIE
Pony! You'll always be my best
friend - you know that! But yes, I
did make lots of friends. In fact, I
want to introduce you to one of them
right now!

Annie tears off the cloth covering the cage in her hand and
reveals... a RABBIT. Very cute, very small, and very silent.
The rabbit looks up at Pony with the cutest darn eyes you've
ever seen.

Pony stares back at it, at a loss for words.

ANNIE (cont'd)
Pony! Meet, Rabbit!
(a beat)
Well? What do you think??

PONY
(like a broken
record)
Uh, uh, uh, uh, uh...

ANNIE
Pony? Are you okay?

The elevator DINGS and Annie steps out. Pony does not follow, so she goes back in and drags him out. He is still stuttering. He continues to stutter as Annie drags him all the way into:

INT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - LIVING ROOM

George, hammer and nails in hand, is fixing up the hole Pony left in the bedroom door. There is still a bit of egg left in his beard.

GEORGE
Welcome home, Annie! Did you have a good time at science camp?

ANNIE
It was great! But... there's something wrong with Pony.

GEORGE
You just noticed?

ANNIE
I showed him my new friend from science camp and he sorta... broke? Look!

Annie shows George her new Rabbit. That rabbit is so cute it hurts. Pony continues to stutter.

GEORGE

Isn't that just the cutest thing you've ever seen. Looks like Pony is jealous.

PONY

(shaking himself out of it)

Uh, uh, uh, -- WHAT?? ME?? JEALOUS?? Perish the thought!

ANNIE

Oh, Pony. You don't need to be jealous! Nobody could ever replace you. You're my best friend, you know that!

PONY

Of course I know that! And for your information, GEORGE, I am NOT jealous. I'm just dizzy! From the heat!

Pony faints dramatically, his hand over his eyes. He peaks to see if Annie is watching, but she and George are smitten by the rabbit's supreme cuteness. Pony deflates.

INT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - ANNIE'S ROOM

Annie places Rabbit's cage on the window sill.

ANNIE

There you go, Rabbit. You'll be nice and comfortable here.

Rabbit stares at Annie with so much gosh darn cuteness.

ANNIE (cont'd)

Awwww! Isn't he just the cutest?

Pony head rises into frame. He stares at the rabbit with suspicion.

PONY

Yeah... maybe he's TOO cute. It could be a trap. Might as well take him back where you found him!

Pony picks up Rabbit's cage, but Annie snatches it back from him.

ANNIE

Pony!! I don't know what's gotten into you, but you have to stop it! Rabbit is going to stay right here, and nothing's going to change that! So be cool!

PONY

Hey I'm cool! I'm cool! No problema, mi mejor amiga! Heh. Heh. Fist bump?

But Annie has already left the room. Pony turns his eyes towards the rabbit, then moves his face in close.

PONY (cont'd)

I'm watching you, mi peor enemigo...

The rabbit does not respond. He stares back at Pony, his eyes sparkling with cuteness.

MONTAGE. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - VARIOUS

As the following action occurs, we hear a sad, melancholic song play, as though it is the backing track to Pony's life.

Annie, Rabbit and Pony watch TV, but Rabbit has taken Pony's seat. Pony sits dramatically on the ground, but no one seems to notice.

Annie lays on her bed listening to music with Rabbit on her chest. They share earphones. Pony tries to dance a little dance to get her attention, but she seems smitten with Rabbit. Once again, he is left out.

Annie sits on the windowsill by Rabbit's cage and waters the plants. She sprinkles some water onto Rabbit, who looks up at her cutely. Annie laughs. Pony tries to cut in with his own cute look, but Annie doesn't seem to notice.

MONTAGE SONG

PONY
 IS THIS THE END?
 TELL ME, MY FRIEND.
 IF I CAN CALL YOU THAT ANYMORE.../
 I THOUGHT WE WERE COOL,
 BUT I WAS THE FOOL.
 TELL ME, WHAT WAS ALL THE TIME WE
 SPENT TOGETHER FOR?/
 I MAY BE A BEAUT.
 BUT I CAN'T BE THAT CUTE.
 I LOST THE BATTLE... AND THE WAR./

EXT. ANNIE'S APARTMENT - ANNIE'S WINDOW

Annie is sitting on the windowsill, holding Rabbit and laughing as she tickles him. He simply stares back at her with that trademark cuteness.

Pony approaches, his head hung in defeat. Without looking up, he says:

PONY
 Well, I know when I'm beaten. Don't
 bother talking me down! I know when
 I'm not wanted!

ANNIE
 What are you talking about, Pony? Of
 course you're wanted!

PONY
 Spare me your words, Annie! I can see
 the writing on the wall!

He points, and we see written on the wall in finger paints:
"Annie + Rabbit" surrounded by a heart.

ANNIE

Pony--

PONY

It's no use! I've made up my mind!
Although, I gotta tell you. You're
making a huge mistake! What has that
rabbit got that I don't got? See, I
can be cute! I can perch on a
windowsill!

Pony starts to clamber up onto the windowsill, pushing Annie
off of it. She drops rabbit, who hops next to Pony on the
sill.

ANNIE

Hey! Pony, what'd you do that for??

PONY

Oh so now you notice me? See I can be
just as cute as this rabbit!

ANNIE

I don't care about that, Pony! It's
just nice to have someone new around.
Someone a little... quieter, ya know?

PONY

(screaming)

I CAN BE QUIET!!

ANNIE

You're screaming right now!

PONY

(still screaming)

I AM NOT! AM NOT AM NOT AM NOT!

With this last outburst, Pony throws his arms up in
exasperation, and SMACKS into RABBIT, who goes FLYING.

A beat.

ANNIE

RABBIT!

PONY

Uh-oh.

Close up on RABBIT's face. Hes still as cute as ever. The situation looks dire, Rabbit might just hit the ground! Then--

WHOOSH! A hawk flies past the window and snatches Rabbit out of the air before he hits the ground. Pony and Annie breathe a sigh of relief, then realize:

ANNIE
RABBIT!!!

PONY
RABBIT!!

They look at each other, for a brief moment they don't know what to do. Then, a look of determination crosses Pony's face, and Annie smiles. They nod.

ANNIE
Rescue mission?

PONY
Si, senorita.

Annie jumps onto Pony's back and he LEAPS off of the windowsill and into:

EXT. STREET - DAY

Pony and Annie sail downwards and land on top of the busted bus stop sign, which bends down, then launches them up with a FLING!

Pony lands on a car which has been stopped thanks to the enormous traffic collision from earlier. He bounds from crashed car to crashed car, racing after the hawk ahead of them.

PONY
Good things these cars were all
stopped! Wonder what happened!

Pony bounces off of the last car and lands in the park, where he continues to gallop after the hawk.

ANNIE
Come on, Pony! We're gaining on them!

PONY
Don't worry, Rabbit, we're coming!

EXT. PARK - DAY

The Hawk flies down and settles in the high branches of a tree. Pony and Annie are close behind. They continue to gallop forward as they say:

ANNIE

We have to do something or that hawk is going to hurt Rabbit!

PONY

It's alright! I have a plan. Just get ready to catch Rabbit!

ANNIE

What are you going to do?

PONY

What I do best.

With a bump, Pony knocks Annie off of his back. She lands in the grass and runs after him. Pony sets his sights on the tree where the hawk is perched.

PONY (cont'd)

Alright, Pony. Ya done messed things up. Time to do what you were born to do!

Pony gallops toward the tree and SLAMS right through it! He leaves a pony-shaped hole behind him. The tree, teeters, sways and begins to fall to the ground.

Annie rushes forward, her arms outstretched, and CATCHES Rabbit just before he hits the ground. He looks up at her with eyes that could melt the Snow Queen's heart.

The hawk caws angrily, but flies away, as Pony, exhausted slowly plods his way back to Annie and Rabbit.

PONY (cont'd)

Well, I guess this is it for me. We had a good run, Annie, but you have a new best friend now...

Pony hangs his head and turns away.

ANNIE

Pony, you silly dumb-dumb. Have you listened to anything I've said today?

PONY

What do you mean?

ANNIE

No one could ever replace you. You'll always be my best friend. Look, Rabbit is cute and all. I mean, really, really cute. Like, scary cute--

PONY

Point taken.

ANNIE

But that's just it. That's ALL he is, is cute. He doesn't do funny dances or faint dramatically or crash through doors and trees and bus stops. You're the only one who can do that. You're one of a kind.

PONY

(wiping a tear)

Gosh, Annie, I... I guess you really do care. Maybe this little guy isn't so bad after all.

Pony looks down at Rabbit, whose cuteness has become so overpowering that mere words cannot describe it.

PONY (cont'd)

You know, maybe it'll be fun having a new roommate! We can go on walks and take ballet classes and watch scary movies, and--

ANNIE

Oh Rabbit isn't staying.

PONY

Wait, what??

ANNIE

Yeah! Didn't I tell you? He's on loan from science camp. I have to take him back tomorrow.

PONY

Huh. Welp. Glad we didn't lose him, then!

ANNIE

We??

PONY

Okay, okay. I'm glad YOU didn't lose
him.

They laugh. The camera pans up to see the fallen tree, the
apartment building, and the twelve car pile up behind them.

FADE onto an image of Rabbit. His cuteness cracks the
television screen.

THE END.