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The citizens of Ponyville take center stage as an ordinary morning for Big McIntosh quickly turns into an unexpected adventure! Plus, the secret history of Shining Armor and Princess Cadence's love! • Collects issues #9–12.

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Dorothy says

Well, here they are! If you really want to know what I am reading lately, it is My Little Pony compendium comics that my 5-year-old and I take out of the library and read/look at OVER and OVER and OVER again!

Some of the stories make . . . not much sense. Others are nice, obviously about the importance of friendship. Some bits are pretty cool and funny, others are kinda lame. Personally I think some of it isn't always appropriate for my daughter (she gets so . . . crazed about her ponies!) but as far as learning to read, well, you can't beat words + pictures, and since we've found her favorite series at the library, they keep her nose in a book a lot of the time.

DavidO says

Like the first 2 volumes, only recommended for fans of the show.

In the first 2 issues of this 4 issue volume, Big Mac is searching for nails during the summer festival. He's apparently cute and women really like the strong silent type, because 5 different ponies fall in love with him. The cutie mark crusaders are trying to get their cute marks in pyrotechnics, causing Big Mac more problems than his missing nails.

In the last 2 issues, we learn about how Shining Armor and Princess Mi Amore Cadenza fell in love, and also learn that Shining armor was a huge geek in pony high school.

The first 2 volumes were focused on an epic story. These 2 are more mini stories that let you know more about characters from the show you don't see much of.

Jess says

I love these so much! The story was divided into two main stories. One focusing on Big Mac and the other on both Princess Cadence and Shining Armor. The art in these issues are amazing and very underrated. Love all the faces and the little things that are in the background.

The first part was the story of Big Mac going to the hardware store and buying a nail. While on the way he runs into every sort of problem. I love this one because its a slice of life story. Its fun to see Big Mac run into any imaginable issue with the townspeople and their Summer Wrapup Celebration. Princess Luna makes a big appearance in this issue. I love every part with her. She is blissfully ignorant on some things and that just makes me love her more. I also loved how all the town ponies fell in love with Big Mac. It made me smile from beginning to end.

The second half focused on how Shining Armor and Princess Cadence met in high school and fell in love (in a time period similar to our 80's. I liked seeing all the young versions of the ponies in their 80's fashion. This

actually made me like both characters more. I was indifferent with them before but I liked the backstories and the extra look in their past.

Love these volume stories. They make great reads!

Ash says

My favorite issue so far. The first half of the comic follows Big Mac on an unexpected adventure. The second half is a story about the history of Shining Armor and Princess Cadence's romance.

First of all, I really enjoyed this comic because it was centered around ponies other than the Mane 6. I also like that this issue wasn't one with villains. It was more of a "follow me around Ponyville" kind of story. Even though Big Mac doesn't "talk" in this comic, it was nice to see the thoughts in his head. In fact, I liked that they didn't make him talk out loud because then he stayed true to character. I really enjoyed what was going on in the background during the summer wrap up festival. There were a lot of little jokes here and there that I think older fans will appreciate.

The story about how Shining Armor and Princess Cadence got together was a bit cliche, but it was still cute. I never pegged Shining Armor as the nerdy type, so it was nice seeing him from the perspective of another. Again, some jokes in the background that were fun to catch.

I am a bit sad now that I've finished this. Volume 4 doesn't come out until later this year. I know it's just a collection of 4 of the issues and I could read them individually, but it's just so much easier to buy them together in a collected volume. So far, this comic has been fantastic. It's something I think that younger fans will enjoy, but older fans will enjoy even more. My husband and I love it! Can't wait to get my hands on the next volume later on this year. I'm going to pre-order it now. ;)

Liawèn says

The amount of detail that goes into this comic is amazing. If you look closely you not only find an adventure of the mane six in the first story but you also learn in the second story how Vinyl Scratch got her cutie mark and that is just the greatest thing.

I always love when the producers focus on the other ponies in Ponyville and when we learn more about our beloved characters like Cherilee or Dr Hooves.

The first story with Big Mac was solid. You could really imagine the crowded market and him searching for nails^^ everything that could go wrong, went wrong but it was a great day for him after all.

The second story was great too although it was at times too much of a 90s cliche for me. Of course Cadance lives Shining Armor and of course everything went right for Buck Düring the Polo game but it was great to learn more about Cadance and Shining Armor. They're great secondary characters and with their child in the tv series now, things are about to get very interesting ?

Holly Letson says

While Big Mac's story was not as good as PC & SA's, I did enjoy this volume. I loved the PC & SA story.

Jen (chekherjoy) says

Big Mac's adventure was great. I loved seeing his thoughts especially on the rest of Ponyville's residents. Shining Armor and Princess Cadence's high school love story is so sweet and fun. Filled with awesome 80s references too. This book was pretty amazing.

Ashley says

Each one of these volumes contains two full stories that are each divided into two full chapters. This one began with the story of Big McIntosh, Applejack's brother who only says "Nope." He's gone to town to try to find nails to fix the broken gazebo when he realizes that a festival is going on. He doesn't like crowds or todos and has to navigate a challenging set of obstacles to complete his task. It was okay. The second story was about how Princess Cadence and Shining Armor met and fell in love. Told like a John Hughes film complete with Shining Armor's Dungeons and Dragons obsession and a reference to Quantum Leap by a subsidiary character after the dance finally brings together the lovebirds. Lots of jokes for grown-ups in that one.

Travis says

This third volume of the series shifts the focus away from the Mane 6 and epic story lines to highlight some secondary cast members in more "slice of life" stories. This type of story really shines in My Little Pony. The series is more interesting and entertaining when it's simply cracking jokes and providing a good romp. There aren't even any villains in this volume.

The first story is about Big Mac trying to find nails to fix a gazebo. Hijinks ensue and ponies swoon as Big Mac makes his way through a festival on his quest for nails. I especially liked Spike's appearances at the midway point.

The second story is about how Shining Armor and Princess Cadence got together. This was my first exposure to these characters since I am still new to the world of MLP, so while this flashback story didn't have as much weight to it due to my lack of familiarity it was still an excellent pastiche of 1980s pop culture.

There are loads of references and jokes for older fans, from DJ Pon-3 singing a Beatles song to a Quantum Leap joke. Even the title of the second story, "Neigh Anything", is a play on the 1980s movie "Say Anything." The backgrounds are chock full of little details. Pay attention to all the tents during the festival.

The series would be better served by maintaining this style of story.

Tiara Lynn says

This was hard to rate because I was really bored with Big Mac's story in the first half, but the Candace/Shining Armor story is one of the most entertaining comics I've seen, full of adorable nods to '80s references that I really appreciated. Shining Armor and his buddies are AMAZING and I'd love to see more of them.

Jamie says

Poor Big Mac and what a super cute back story for Shinnying Armor and Candice!

Vania says

Big Mac is surprisingly adorable in his little two-issue arc in the beginning. The story is nothing special or even that interesting, but his internal dialogue is hilarious enough to carry the issues like how he carries everything else. Plus, we get more Luna, which is ALWAYS a good thing to add.

What really sells this volume is Cadence and Shining Armor.

Their "couple story" isn't heavy on plot, but the little pieces of backstory and jokes make it all worthwhile. It reminds me about every High School movie in existence, but that just makes me really bubbly and happy. It's a good type of nostalgia which is probably clouding my judgement, but this does seem to earn its 4 stars.

On to Volume 4!

See my reviews for:

Volume 1

Volume 2

Volume 5

Sandya balaji says

It was an amazing book

I gave it full stars because it was fun and romantic
It was a bit boring at first
In a whiz it was starting to get fun

Markus Pfeffer says

Diesmal gibt's gleich zwei Stories, die im Original jeweils in zwei Heften erschienen. In der ersten soll BigMac eigentlich nur ein paar Nägel kaufen. Doch gerät er mitten in das rauschende Sommer-Ade-Fest, und wird von einer Attraktion zur nächsten geschleift. In der zweiten Story geht es darum, wie sich Cadance und Shining Armor kennengelernt haben - eine klassische High School-Comedy, in der auch erstmal verraten wird, dass Shiny einst zu den größten Nerds der Schule gehörte.

Beide Geschichten sind wieder randvoll mit Anspielungen und Shout-Outs zur aktuellen Popkultur von Doctor Who bis Dungeons & Dragons - und deutlich spannender und lustiger als der vorherige Band.

Die limitierte Sonderauflage hat ein anderes, mit Apfelduft versehenes Cover.

Kay says

3.5 stars - loved Big Mac's story, but the other was just OK
